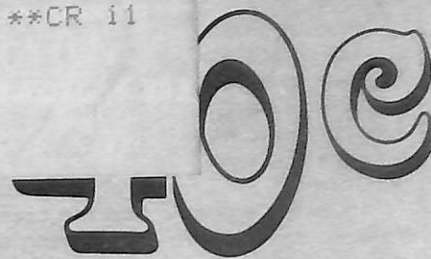




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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL are busy planning a big New Year's Eve bash for residents of Agawam. Members pictured above are (seated, from left) JoAnne Condon, Donna Scherpa, and Paul Sutton. Back row - Sylvia R. Deliso, Barbara Barton Dunn, and Jean Stowers. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Arts Council Plans Gala Dec. 31st For Town To Enjoy

by Debra Macey Taylor
Advertiser News Feature Writer

This coming New Year's Eve, Agawam residents will be in for a special treat. They will be able to ring in the New Year with friends and neighbors and, hopefully, start a new annual tradition with a celebration that has something for everyone called "Mid Winter's Night."

The Agawam Arts and Humanities Council has always wanted to do this, and thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and some generous local businesses, all systems are go for Agawam's first New Year's Eve Celebration on Monday night, December 31st.

Arts Council Chairwoman **Sylvia Deliso** is excited about the venture. "It will be a family event with something for all ages," Mrs. Deliso stated.

Several locations along Main Street in Agawam Center will be hosting special events. "The location is convenient with plenty of free parking," Mrs. Deliso said. "We want to encourage people to get into the spirit of the evening and walk to the events. Main Street has sidewalks and is well-lighted."

The festivities will begin early. At **St. John's Church Parish Center** at 6:30 p.m., the Gerwick Puppets will present "A Mid-Winter Fantasy." This puppet show is sure to please adults as well as children. At 8:30 p.m., the popular band **Summer Breeze** will be performing a wide variety of music for your dancing pleasure.

SEE NEW YEAR'S EVE - Arts Section...

Lack Of Schedule May Inhibit Team...

Strong Interest Shown To Form Girls' Team At Junior High

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

A week-long signup seeking eighth- and ninth-grade girls for a possible freshman softball team this spring at Agawam Junior High School concluded on Tuesday with 48 female students showing interest.

The signup was posted per a unanimous vote of the School Committee after a lengthy discussion of the junior high student athletic survey taken earlier this fall. Vice Chairperson Louis Massoia said, "I would like to make a motion to immediately post a signup for eighth- and ninth-grade girls for a 1991 softball team." The motion was seconded by member Jordan St. John and accepted by all members in the vote.

Member Linda Galarneau had resolved earlier in the meeting to form a girls' freshman softball team in

1991. She offered her resolution, saying, "I think this motion will show our interest in equality for girls and provide them the opportunity to shine within their own levels. Once you have something that's tangible (a team formation and coach), you might get more girls."

Athletic Director Clifford Kibbe and Superintendent James Bruno told the committee that present numbers of freshman girls removed from the junior varsity team could cause the elimination of a softball team on that level. Bruno said it has always been the policy in Agawam to create a team when interest was shown.

SEE GIRLS' SPORTS - Page 2...

Council On Live TV Receiving Many Good Reviews From Officials

by Debra Macey Taylor
Advertiser News Feature Writer

For the first time in Agawam's history, a Town Council meeting was televised live on cable television. The meeting of Monday, December 3rd, was seen on Channel 53 at 8:00 p.m. Some viewers saw it on cable Channel 3.

Telecasts of the meetings were supposed to be delayed until they could be held at the larger Agawam Middle School auditorium. The auditorium was in a state of repair after water pipes burst. Mayor Christopher Johnson announced that wiring had been completed at the Agawam Public Library, thanks to hardworking members of Continental Cablevision and local volunteers.

The two-and-a-half-hour meeting was rather sedate in comparison to the volatile November 19th meeting in which councilors Joanne H. Willis, George Bitzas, and Jessie D. Fuller walked out after a vote was taken to ask Johnson to spend \$50,500 on a bulk trash collection. The trash collection issue has been a sensitive and heated topic for months here.

Cecelia Lang, Continental Cable community program manager, said she was pleased with the December 3rd telecast. "Agawam is the first community to run with this," Ms. Lang said. "Other communities televise their meetings, but Agawam was the first to do it 'live.' This is new for Continental also," she stated.

SEE CABLE TV - Page 2...

Agawam Trivia Great Xmas Gift

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COUNCIL ON TV - from Page 1...

There has been a great deal of enthusiasm for this project, and the majority of the councilors have been wanting the meetings televised for a long time.

Council President Richard Brindle stated he thought the meeting had gone well. "I was quite happy with the conduct of the councilors and the audience," Brindle said. "There has been a suggestion to eliminate public speaking from the televised agenda. The public would speak from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m., and the meeting would begin at 8:00."

Johnson was also pleased. "The cable television staff and local volunteers are to be highly commended for their excellent work."

Cable Television Commission Chairman, resident John Balboni, was one of the volunteers who donated his time and services to the broadcast, along with Mark McCormick.

"I think the people and the council were pleased," Balboni stated. "We are offering something new and different. People who normally wouldn't see the meetings now have the opportunity to watch it from their homes."

Balboni also said that cable television was interested in televising other town activities, but more volunteers are needed. "We would like to have 20 volunteers," Balboni stated. "We could rotate them so that the same people wouldn't be constantly working."

According to Balboni and Ms. Lang, all that is needed to be a volunteer is enthusiasm and maybe a little experience with a camcorder.

"We'll be using two or three people to tape each session," Ms. Lang said, explaining that the crews would be rotated and the demand per person in terms of time would not be as great.

"This is part of the franchise commitment to

Agawam," she said of the broadcast.

Camera crews underwent three weeks of training sessions to prepare for their behind-the-scenes debut and according to Ms. Lang, "a number of senior citizens in Agawam have also expressed interest in becoming camera operators for these meetings."

Only one camera was used in the Library Conference Room where meetings were held; coverage will be "easier to direct" when meetings are moved to the Middle School auditorium early next year.

At that time, the now-circular seating arrangement will be altered to allow all councilors to face each other and their listeners in a U-shaped pattern.

The fiery dialogue and sometimes belligerent arguments were conspicuously absent from this session, during which two censure items were on the New Business Agenda.

Whether the omniscient presence of the cameras will keep tempers under control and the agenda on the move remains to be seen.

And what effect live broadcasts have on the voting public who can now tune in (and tune out) could well be reflected in the way ballots are cast next November.

The Agawam residents trained to broadcast the meetings include **Bob McCormack, Sandra Smith, John Balboni, Mark McCormack, Lou Draghetti** (cable liaison for the town), **David Klaus, Ken Grady, Jr., and Larry Grady.**

People interested in volunteering should call Cecelia Lang at Continental Cable at 568-1971. Training is available.

The next council meeting will be televised on December 17th at 8:00 p.m.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Staff reporter Christine Piesyk also contributed to this article.

LEGAL NOTICE**TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1990 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. ERNEST LOMBARDI who is seeking to amend a previous decision, Case No. 996, which would allow for an exit on Campbell Drive and for seating at the bar, at the restaurant located on 395 RIVER ROAD.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE**GIRLS' TEAMS - from Page 1...**

He cautioned members, however, that numbers drawn from both eighth and ninth grades this year would be altered when these grades were located in two different buildings next year.

According to Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association rules, freshman teams would no longer be allowed to draw from eighth graders once the ninth grade becomes part of the high school building.

Mrs. Galarneau said, "Why can't we (Agawam) be the ones to start a schedule and say to the other athletic directors, 'We're getting a freshman schedule started.' It's a more positive attitude."

St. John noted, "This motion may jeopardize the opportunities we already have in play."

Other members expressed concern that the junior varsity team could be affected or that competition for a freshman schedule would not be made available.

Kibbe said, "A coach takes time (to find) and the position has to be posted. We'll try to get a schedule."

Mrs. Galarneau's motion was defeated while Massoia's resolution passed unanimously to validate interest from students before a coach was hired and a monetary commitment was made.

Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin said, "Let's go forward on this positive note." She charged Associate Superintendent Donald Charest with the task of "looking at the budget to see if funding is available for this team."

St. John asked Kibbe "to investigate the possibility of a schedule" when he met with other athletic directors.

In presenting the School Committee with the top interest results of males and females from the survey taken per order of the State Department of Education, Junior High Principal Thomas O'Keefe highlighted the responses in an analysis.

He said, "Even though softball is not offered at the Junior High School, there was significant response or interest in the activity." One-hundred-and-one eighth- and ninth-grade females were "extremely" or "moderately" interested in learning and/or playing, and 38 percent of this category wanted softball introduced as a preference sport to the Junior High.

During actual signups this week, the 101 dropped to 48. Bruno said that number may lessen further when girls have the choice of Sacred Heart and Suburban League set schedules this spring against the school's uncertain schedule.

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Editorial

Guest Editorial...

Why The Agawam Town Council Must Act Now To Prevent Further Profanity At Meetings

by George Bitzas
Agawam Town Councilor

About three months ago during our Citizens Speak Time, an unsuccessful candidate for the town council used improper language and profanity toward councilors. When Council Vice-President Jessie Fuller asked him to apologize, he not only refused but he seems to be proud of his actions. Council President Richard Brindle asked us to ban him from speaking during Citizens Speak Time. But Councilors Ennis, Dupee, Burgess, Negrucci, Caba, and Borgotti agreed even if he used profanity to let him speak in the name of democracy and free speech.

The rest of the council disagreed with them and feel that the use of profanity on the floor of the council is not necessary.

I would like to remind those councilors who allow obscenities in our meetings in the name of democracy that Thomas Jefferson, one of the fathers of our Constitution, said, "Democracy works when each of us exercises self-control."

So by voting to allow a person using profanity to continue to speak, they are giving the green light for anyone else to use similar or worse language.

The results were evident three weeks ago. During the public hearings, a citizen twice used language that was in very poor taste and did apologize to the president on both occasions, citing his emotional state. There is no excuse to have people use this language in public, especially in front of the town council.

But to have one of our own councilors—Councilor Ennis use strong obscenities during our debate is absolutely uncalled for. In last week's *Agawam Advertiser* he stated that I was trying to run the meetings by telling the president who to recognize. Councilor Ennis is not only guilty of using profanity but also does not speak the truth. The tapes and the copies of our minutes show what really happened at our meetings. These are available to the public. This is just a

smokescreen to divert our attention from the original issue.

This was not the first time Councilor Ennis used obscenities during our meetings. I ignored it the first time but I feel that something must be done about his repeated behavior. He has gone too far.

How can an elected official behave this way? We all represent the people, we were elected by the public and must serve as a model for the people of our town.

We do not deserve to be subjected to this kind of behavior. I hope the whole council will show that we will not tolerate this behavior and we will show it with our votes.

This way we can let the people of Agawam know that we put our honor, values, ethics, and what we stand for first and politics second.

Isn't it about time we showed the people of Agawam that we have some class and integrity after all?

Guest Editorial...

Changing Certain Academic Program At AHS A Positive Move Forward For The Future

by The Principal's Advisory Committee

John Morrissey, Russell Ramah, Paul Cavallo, Gabrielle Charest, Arlene Mazza, and Edward Merrill (members)

In the fall of 1991, in order to relieve the overcrowding at the junior high school, the ninth grade will become part of the high school. This will change the current high school from a three-year school to a four-year school. An Advisory Committee appointed by Principal John Morrissey and approved by Superintendent James Bruno has been working on plans for the transition based on a careful evaluation of the present conditions at the high school.

The Advisory Committee, under the guidance of the superintendent, consulted with administrators and faculty from the Agawam School System, administrators and faculty from other school systems, college admissions officers, area high school directors of guidance, and officials from the Massachusetts Department of Education seeking input regarding the need for improvement in certain areas of the academic program at Agawam High School. The Committee members visited area schools and attended workshops to observe programs that were related to proposals under consideration. In addition, studies were conducted and current research on the effective school was reviewed.

The administration and the superintendent view the proposals as necessary to give our high school a "forward look" by offering to all our students the opportunity to select the program that best suits their needs without restrictions. The 10-year recently completed evaluation by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges alluded to the fact that Agawam High School must work to better serve the needs of all students. In response to the NEAS&C recommendations, the high school administration and the superintendent of schools feel that the following changes will be a step in the right direction in promoting quality education in the high school.

The Advisory Committee has worked on the following issues:

1. An increase in core curriculum;
2. An increase in graduation credits;
3. A special Move-Up Day for incoming students;

4. A pilot program in modified heterogeneous grouping;
5. A change in course levels.

The Advisory Committee proposes that the core curriculum be increased from three years of English to four years of English, from one year of science to 2½ years of science, from one year of mathematics to 2½ years of mathematics, from two years of social studies to three years of social studies, and from three years of physical education to four years of physical education. A Health/Computer Science course will be required of all Grade 9 students.

Credits required for graduation from the high school beginning with the class of 1995 (entering ninth graders) will be 105. This represents an increase of 25 from the 80 credits that are required of students graduating from a three-year program.

Since there will be two new grades of students entering the four-year high school in the fall, a Move-Up Day is planned for the incoming ninth and tenth grades. School will be in session on opening day for Grades 9 and 10 only. Students will participate in an orientation program about the high school.

The Social Studies Department pilot program will consist of heterogeneously grouped classes with the exception of Advanced Placement U.S. History and Advanced Placement European History. Heterogeneous grouping is the placement of students with varying abilities in the same classroom. This approach will provide students an equal opportunity for quality education.

Agawam High School currently has a four-level course weighting system. The Committee is proposing a two-level course weighting system which would allow our students to pursue special academic interests without compromising their opportunities for course selection.

The Advisory Committee suggests that the above proposals complement the ideas set forth in the Na-

tional Education Association Code of Ethics which states:

The educator strives to help each student realize his or her potential as a worthy and effective member of society. The educator therefore works to stimulate the spirit of inquiry, the acquisition of knowledge and understanding, and the thoughtful formulation of worthy goals... Essential to these goals is the protection of freedom to learn and to teach and the guarantee of equal educational opportunity for all.

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Newspaper Editorial Written In 1934 Still Has Great Meaning In 1990

EDITOR'S NOTE: *We thought that despite the gloomy Massachusetts economy, and the fact that this Christmas is not as rosy as last year's for many, there are still many blessings to count.*

The Depression brought gloom and despair to millions of our people. Literally millions were compelled to go hungry; others were forced to stint themselves to the bare necessities.

But the large majority of our citizens were eating more than was good for them and continue to enjoy what would be called the ordinary comforts.

They may have had to deprive themselves of some of the luxuries, but the general despondency that was broadcast with a withering hand affected everybody alike and, excepting those who have suffered lack of food or crude comforts of life, there was no real suffering—outside of a shriveled pocketbook.

Money means entirely too much in our lives. It is greatly overvalued. Its power and influence have been viewed through a magnifying glass and the suffering we endured during the Depression was occasioned mostly by forebodings for the future.

During the business boom our wants were multiplied. We spent liberally. What we call our status of living was raised to heights before unknown.

And then came the Depression. We had to reduce our expenditures, and monumental difficulties are associated with such a problem. We can increase our disbursements with ease, but to reduce them is often a terrifying task.

Now, an analysis of the calamity that befell us clearly indicates that it is solely a money problem. The status of living of practically all our people, outside of the victims of unemployment, was far above what it was a generation or two ago. We can live, and live comfortably, regardless of the amount of our income. In some parts of this country families are being reared on \$10 or \$15 a week—and there are fathers of other families who are earning \$100 or more per week who are bitterly complaining.

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O'Keefe also said, "The two activities which received a high degree of response (from both males and females) and are not currently offered in the Agawam School System were volleyball and lacrosse."

Discussion of these sports programs prompted O'Keefe to respond, "At this point, it doesn't look as

though we're going to have an interscholastic program for the seventh and eighth grades next year."

O'Keefe did request a "full-blown intermural program for the Junior High next year" during a special School Committee workshop earlier this month. The next workshop will be held on Tuesday, December 18th, in the Junior High cafeteria when a vote is expected to be taken on recommendations for Junior High and Agawam High redistribution changes.



Letters To The Editor

Japan Vaults Past U.S.

To The Editor:

In years past, the United States has been regarded as the economic power of the world. In recent years, however, Japan has vaulted past the U.S. in regard to technological advances in such fields as the automobile, computer, and now, renewable energy industry (where they are reaping huge benefits). The Japanese realize that the current global environmental emergency has opened the door to new profit opportunities. The Japanese commitment to these technological advances will undoubtedly safeguard their country economically.

As we witness the dawn of a new era of surging environmental awareness why can't the U.S. follow suit? Recent events in the Persian Gulf must teach us one valuable lesson. It is imperative that we change our current attitude towards renewable energy. I find it hard to comprehend the irresponsible actions of the Administration's continued reliance on foreign oil as this country's chief energy source.

The survival of humankind is dependant on having clean and abundant renewable energy sources. Throughout the last 10 years, the United States, under the administrations of Ronald Reagan and George Bush has failed to enact an effective "long-range" energy policy. The public, however, believes that the implementation of such a policy will safeguard our global community. We must, around the world, plan accordingly for our survival.

As our great nation is about to embrace the 21st century, it is courting disaster to rely on Third World countries for energy. America still has time to hear and heed President Carter's call, during the 1970's, for self-reliance—in the quest for alternative energy sources. More than ever before, we urgently need cooperation and fellowship in our development of renewable energy sources.

Joe Easton - Washington, D.C.
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## Agawam Obituaries

### Dr. Joseph A. Duval

Dr. Joseph A. Duval, 55, of 127 Peele Road, Nashua, New Hampshire, a well-known obstetrician-gynecologist, died Wednesday, December 5th, at Catholic Medical Center.

He was born in Montreal, P.Q., Canada, the son of the late Leon & Elsie (Rivest) Duval. He resided in Springfield during his youth, and was a graduate of American International College, and graduated from Tufts University School of Medicine in 1960.

Dr. Duval served with the United States Army Medical Corps in Korea from 1962-1964 and held the commission of captain. He has practiced in Nashua for the past 25 years and was a member of The Goyette, Cote & Duval Professional Association.

Dr. Duval was affiliated with St. Joseph and Memorial Hospitals, was a former chief of obstetrics at St. Joseph Hospital, was the medical director of the Women's Wellness Center in Nashua, held membership in the Hillsborough County and State Medical Societies and was a member of the American Medical Association.

A communicant of Immaculate Conception Church, he was a director of the Cornerstone Bank of Derry, New Hampshire, and a member of the Alumni Association of Tufts Medical College.

He leaves his wife, Evelyn I. "Nancy" (Harrington) Duval of Nashua; two sons, Daniel and Michael Duval of Nashua; three daughters and a son-in-law, Suzanne & Joseph McCarran of Derry, New Hampshire, Ellen Duval of Brighton, Massachusetts and Maura Duval of Nashua; two grandchildren, Caitrin and Joseph McCarran, Jr. of Derry, New Hampshire; a sister, Jean Duga of Feeding Hills; two brothers, Maurice and Andre Mallette of Agawam; his father-in-law, Dr. William T. Harrington of Nashua; a brother-in-law, William T. Harrington, Jr. of Everett; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held at Immaculate Conception Church, Nashua, with burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Hudson, New Hampshire. Farwell Funeral Home, Nashua, was in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Heart Association, c/o Sue Lyons, 31 Nightingale Road, Nashua, New Hampshire 03062.

### Frank J. Nostin

Frank J. Nostin, 86, formerly of Agawam, a retired assembler at the former Gilbert & Barker Company in West Springfield, died on Thursday, December 6th, in a local nursing home. He retired in 1963 after 42 years with the company.

Born in Braggiano, Italy, he lived in West Springfield before moving to this town. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Church. He was a founder and past treasurer of the Verdi Club in West Springfield, and a member of the Agawam Golden Agers.

He leaves his wife of 69 years, the former Eva Christopher; three sons, John F. of Chicopee, and Joseph F. and Frank J. of Agawam; a daughter, Lynette Cariani of West Palm Beach, Florida; two brothers, Joseph of West Springfield and Thomas of Hollywood, California; 16 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery.

### Clinton R. Tift

Clinton R. Tift, 76, of 28 Blacksmith Road, Feeding Hills, an expeditor at the former Wico Electric Company and a retired shipper at Colby Company, died Saturday, December 8th, at home. He worked at the electric company from 1938 until 1971, and at Colby Company from 1971 until his retirement in 1974.

Born in Centerville, Rhode Island, he lived in the Agawam area most of his life. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. His wife, the former Lillian Panzo, died in 1986.

He leaves a daughter, Marilyn Fox of Simsbury, Connecticut; a sister, Vivien Crumly of Feeding Hills, and two grandchildren.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church, with burial at the family's convenience. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Pioneer Valley, 570 Cottage Street, Springfield, MA, 01104.

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## Agawam Crime Prevention...

## Where People Lack Common Sense, You Can Be Sure Crime Will Definitely Flourish

by Officer Wayne Macey - Crime Prevention Bureau

When thinking in terms of crime prevention, we sometimes tend to complicate what would otherwise be some very common sense practices.

We overlook the obvious while opting for what we are sure modern science and technology has to offer. New high tech alarm systems, fool-proof, anti-theft, anti-bad guy car alarms, and self-defense courses designed to make us all supermen and women against the ever present criminal element. If the truth be known, we could all save our time and money.

The most important ingredient in the crime prevention recipe is common sense and as easy as it sounds, we simply don't practice the most basic prevention methods.

If there are doubters in the audience, consider if you will, the following: It is 6:45 a.m. in Agawam and parked outside the Dairy Mart are several cars with the keys in the ignition, motors running, and briefcases on the front seat. Operators for these vehicles are inside the store getting their first of the morning cup of coffee and comparing notes with those they see this same time every day.

Officer Keith Bopko, while on patrol at 3:00 a.m., observes several garage doors open with everything inside from automobiles to gas grills to lawnmowers and lawn furniture. A woman shopping in one of our many grocery stores in town has her purse open on the child seat section of her carriage. Exposed are her credit

cards, cash, and of course, the almighty coupons. She is about 20 feet away checking the price of tuna fish.

Mr. & Mrs. John Q. Unsuspecting of 22 Nice Street, Agawam, decide to take the kids out for an ice cream at about 7:00 p.m. No need to lock the door, they will only be gone for 45 minutes and Peterjon's is just around the corner. Question. What is wrong with all the above pictures?

It should be obvious to all that a lack of common sense precautions will cause each of the above citizens to become victims. It doesn't take a security expert, or any kind of genius mind to figure out how to protect ourselves in these situations.

Never leave the car running while unattended. No matter how short a period of time you will be gone, lock it and pocket the keys. Leave nothing of value in sight.

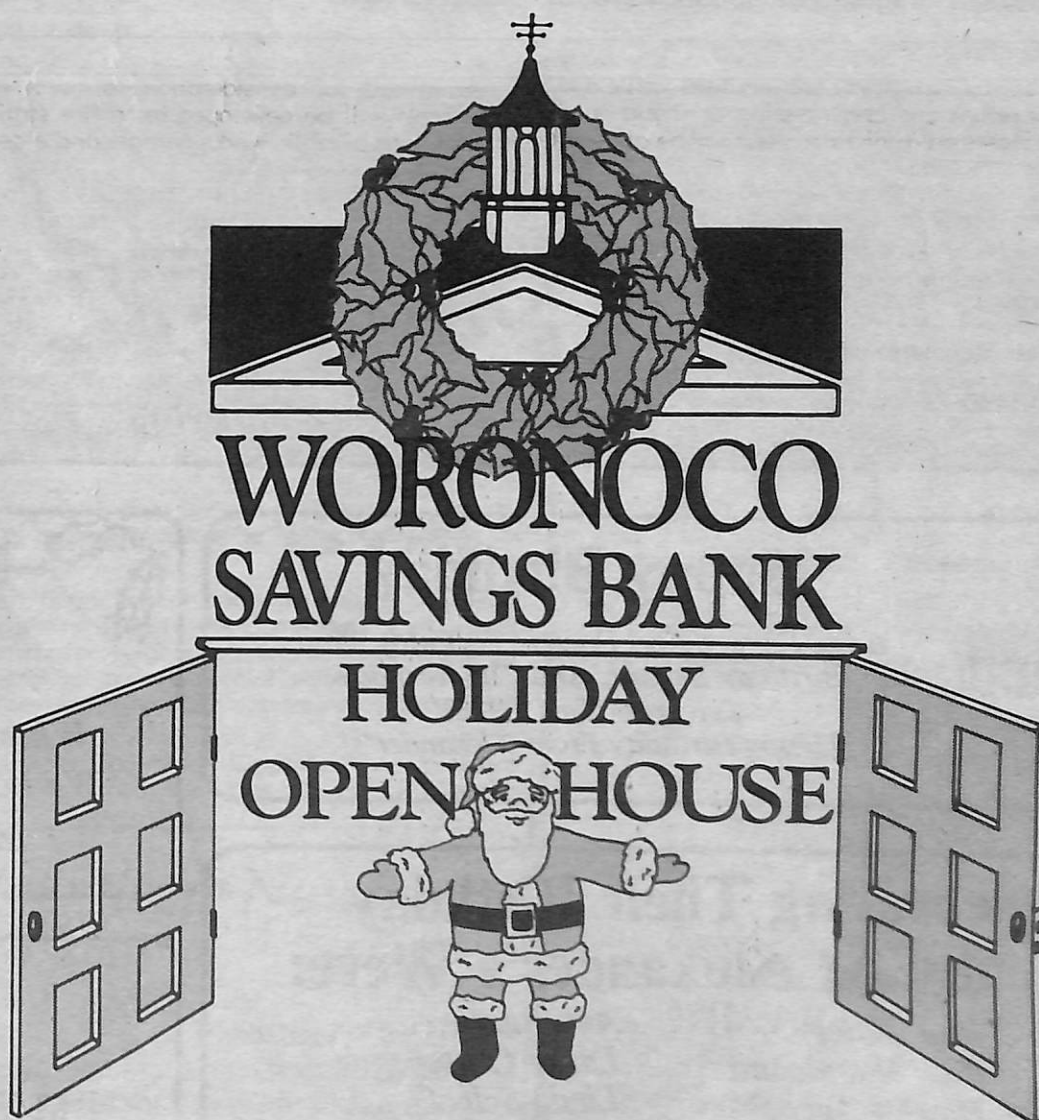
When retiring for the evening, close and lock all outside garage and shed doors and windows.

While shopping, keep pocketbooks and valuables with you and observe what is happening around you.

Lastly, but certainly not least, **always, always, always** secure your home no matter how long you are planning on being away. It has been said that if someone wants to break into your home, steal your car, or grab your property bad enough, they will do it. However, to hand them these things on a silver platter is truly a crime.

**PLEASE REMEMBER that we are open  
weekdays at 6:30 a.m. We are open until 7:00  
p.m. on Tuesday nights.**

## JOIN US



**Monday, December 24, 1990, 9a.m. - 2p.m.**

There will be refreshments for all, and Santa's promised to drop in at all four locations with presents for the children.

Woronoco offices will close at 2 p.m., Monday, December 24th, so our staff can enjoy Christmas Eve with their families. All offices will be closed December 25 and January 1.

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# Nurses Seek To Nix Health Board; Ceiling Lifted On Retirement; Packet Squabble Hits

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

Nurses in Agawam want to stay under the jurisdiction of the town and not the autonomous Board of Health.

Fifteen nurses, many of whom are familiar faces in school corridors and others from home visits to the elderly and infirm, addressed the Town Council on December 3rd to voice concerns that the Board of Health would not be as responsive or accessible to them and could hinder their ability to perform their jobs.

The controversy arose from the disclosure of state laws mandating that nurses be assigned under the Board of Health and not the town.

"We have never worked for the Board of Health. We are members of the Teamsters (local union) who negotiated our contract with the Town of Agawam and with approval of the Town Council," claims School Nurse Catherine Hallaman. "Keep the nurses under the town, not the Board of Health," she pleaded.

Dana Markowski, another school nurse "employed by the Town of Agawam" says she "negotiated in good faith with the town and is accountable to the town. The Board (of Health) is not accessible when we need them." She joined a dozen other nurses in her concern that the monthly health board meetings did not present sufficient access for these nurses who often need fast, same day, or "next morning" decision that the current health board "would not be able to do."

"The board is not usually accessible when we need them," she says.

Further discussion on the issue and a final decision has yet to be made on just where and under whose jurisdiction these employees will work.

This is the latest debate concerning the Board of Health's relationship to the Town Hall administration. Earlier this year, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, in an

attempt to reorganize Town Hall, battled with the three-member board over who has authority over the health agent's position (currently held by Ronald Young).

The Mayor later dropped his reorganization plan after a lengthy and often bitter debate over the subject

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In another matter on December 3rd, Town Council, in a unanimous vote, agreed to lift the \$30,000 ceiling on which retirement pay is calculated for public service employees.

Steven Draghetti of the Agawam Police Patrolman's Union argued on behalf of this move during Citizen's Speak Time, noting that the \$30,000 ceiling was a deterrent that in coming years could hinder the town's ability "to attract, employ, and retain employees."

Patrolman Ronald Brown also spoke on behalf of the repeal of the cap.

Capping income at \$30,000 for the purpose of calculating retirement benefits meant that regardless of what pay scale an employee reached during his active years on payroll, retirement income could not exceed \$24,000 - or 80 percent of that \$30,000 figure.

Teachers were exempt from that cap, he noted.

Passage of the measure familiarly known as "22D" was greeted with cheers by the audience following the council vote.

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It's a matter of privacy, protocol, and more than a little bit of local politics.

But the Town Council has voted to keep to a deadline schedule regarding the preparation of council information packets and keeping those packets private, at least until the gavel opens their formal meetings.

Although there has been a Thursday noon deadline

for submission of agenda items and substantiating documents, packets were rarely ready and delivered on time, not because of a lack of effort on the part of the council clerk but because those packets were being brought still unsealed to the Mayor's office...where they remained until mid or late on Friday.

Councilors argued that this routine resulted in late delivery of packets; too little time to do needed checks on the information contained within; and too much access to council business by Mayor Christopher Johnson.

In a unanimous vote councilors opted to allow council clerk Ursula Retzler to work later on Thursday to finalize the packets after the noontime deadline, and arrange delivery of those sealed packets to each councilor no later than midday Friday prior to Monday sessions.

"The Mayor got to see the agenda a full day before the councilors did," said veteran Councilor John Negrucci.

Another veteran councilor, Edward Caba, expressed displeasure with the fact that many documents in recent packets were dated up to 24 hours past deadline for submitting such information.

Late last week a verbal squabble between Councilor Thomas Ennis and Johnson developed over this issue. Ennis was upset that he did not receive his packet on time (as voted on by the council).

Johnson responded he was never informed of the council vote in writing, and during a regular meeting with Town Council President Richard Brindle several days after the council vote, no mention was made of the new packet policy.

Johnson has received written confirmation of the council vote by Mrs. Retzler, according to a published report.

## IRS Says You Can Extend Tax Deadline

Being out of the country may have its advantages, especially at tax time. If you are required to file a U.S. income tax return and are traveling or living outside the United States on April 15th, you may be allowed to extend your filing deadline.

By filing Internal Revenue Service Form 4868 travelers can receive an extension until August 15th to file their federal income tax returns. Payment of additional taxes must accompany the request. Both Form 4868 and your payment must be filed with the IRS by April 15th.

U.S. residents in foreign countries usually qualify for automatic extensions of time to file until June 17th. They must attach a statement to their tax returns explaining that their home and main place of business were outside the United States or Puerto Rico on April 15th.

Visit your nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate for forms or write to Internal Revenue Service, Forms Distribution Center, P.O. Box 25866, Richmond, VA 23289, USA.

## Republican Committee To Meet Jan. 12th

The meeting of the Agawam Republican Committee scheduled for January 12th, 1991, at 8:30 a.m. is for the executive council and precinct captains only.

Regular monthly meetings will resume in the early spring.

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## Land Needs Committee Seeking Property List

The Town of Agawam Land Needs Committee is presently developing a list of available properties to be submitted for consideration to town management. Parcels will be developed for a fire station, a school building, a public works garage, and elderly and/or affordable housing.

Property owners interested in selling to the town are invited to submit, in writing, a description of the property and the 1990 assessed value, to Land Needs Committee, c/o Town Council Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001, no later than January 10th, 1991.

Minimum size parcel to be considered, one acre. Previously developed parcels will be considered. This is an informal contact and any further contact would be in compliance with Section 30-B of the Massachusetts State Code.

## AEDIC Conducting Survey Of Ag. Business

The Agawam Economic Development and Industrial Corporation will be conducting a survey of businesses located in town.

The survey will concentrate on learning what plans these companies have for the future, what resources they would require to expand, and what programs and services they would like to see offered by the A.E.D.I.C.

Members of the A.E.D.I.C. will be contacting the local firms to meet with them in person. The Board of Directors, who will be carrying out the survey, currently consist of Kathy Ayre, Betty Grimaldi, Mike Werbiskis, and Chester Dziardziel.

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| La Monica Scungilli                    | 6 1/2 Oz. Can  | <b>\$1.99</b>                         |
| Borden's Ice Cream (Discontinued Line) | <b>20% Off</b> |                                       |
| Diamond Walnuts                        | 1 Lb. Bags     | Reg. \$1.99 <b>Special \$1.59</b>     |
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## Ag. Police Dept. Weekly Arrest Blotter

On December 3rd, **Theodore W. Skinner**, 198 Summer Street, Lee, was arrested and charged with possession of a class "C" substance with intent to distribute. Arresting officers were Detective Sergeant Ken Grady, Detective Tom Marmo, Detective Peter Bertera, Mike Gruska, and Don Gallerani.

On December 3rd, **Charles K. Killackey**, Chapel Street, Route 1, Lee, was arrested and charged with possession of a class "C" substance with intent to distribute. Arresting officers were Detective Sergeant Ken Grady, Detective Tom Marmo, Detective Peter Bertera, Mike Gruska, and Don Gallerani.

On December 4th, **David A. Asselin**, 16 Worthen Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Sergeant Donald Loncto and Steve Grasso.

On December 5th, **George W. Warren**, 18 Sherman Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Brian Connor.

On December 7th, **Joseph Brodniak**, 31 Pamona Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving without a license. Arresting officers were Eric Lottermoser and Steve Grasso.

On December 8th, **Craig Kleszczynski**, 22 Klondike Avenue, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Westfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Mark Ceccarini, Mark Pfau, and Keith Bopko.

On December 8th, **Nelson E. Camyre**, 41 Summit Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension and an outstanding Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Mike Gruska, Richard Conlon, and Richard Niles.

## IRS Suggest Purchase Of Education Bonds

Education can be a great investment for the future. So can some tax shelters. Now you can help pay for the one by investing in the other.

U.S. Series EE savings bonds can be an option for those looking for tax sheltered ways to save for higher education. If you purchase these bonds after December 31st, 1989, and use them to pay qualified higher education expenses for yourself, your spouse or your dependent(s), you may be able to exclude the interest income from your taxable income to the extent that the proceeds of the bonds do not exceed those expenses.

There are a few limitations on the tax-free treatment of the bonds. The purchaser must be at least 24 years old before the date of issuance, which must be after 1989. Bonds are "issued" as of the first day of the month in which they are purchased. Also, the education expenses must be "qualified" expenses, such as tuition and course fees, minus excludable scholarships and other tax-exempt tuition reduction amounts.

These educational expenses must be incurred in the year the bonds are redeemed. Expenses for any course or other education involving sports, games or hobbies, except as part of a degree program, do not qualify. The tax-free treatment phases out for married taxpayers filing a joint return who have incomes between \$60,000 and \$90,000, and for single taxpayers or heads of households with incomes between \$40,000 and \$55,000.

To claim the exclusion, file Form 8815, "Exclusion of Interest from Series EE U.S. Savings Bonds Issued After 1989," with your tax return. For additional information, request free IRS Publication 550, Investment Income and Expenses, by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

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## Fire-Wise - by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks Preventing A Chimney Fire - Common Sense!

Imagine a cold winter night, you're in your living room, all cozy and warm by your fireplace, when all of a sudden it sounds as if a freight train is coming down the chimney. You are experiencing a chimney fire!

Each year thousands of homes experience this due to improper maintenance of their chimney. These fires can be prevented by making sure your flue is lined and in good repair, by having it inspected and cleaned regularly by a professional and by learning how to build fires that reduce the build-up of creosote.

The cause of most chimney fires is creosote which is a by-product resulting from the incomplete combustion of wood. It accumulates on the sides of your chimney and stovepipe as a liquid and later condenses into a solid. As it builds up it not only blocks the flue, but can ignite into a roaring fire.

It is recommended that you have your chimney professionally cleaned and inspected at least once a year. If you use your fireplace or wood stove as a primary source of heat for your home, you should consider a cleaning and inspection at the beginning and end of

each heating season. To select a chimney sweep, don't just base your decision on cost. Ask if they are certified by the National Chimney Sweep Guild or a trade school. Are they active in a state or local guild? How did they learn their craft? Ask for references.

A professional chimney sweep will do more than brush out your chimney. They inspect your chimney for damage to liners, cracks due to settling, improper installation of prefabricated chimneys and much more.

You can cut down on the build-up of creosote by using your fireplace or wood stove properly. Burn it hot; the hotter the fire, the more complete the combustion. Burn hard woods, i.e., oak, hickory, ash, or maple, that have been seasoned for at least one year. Take care not to burn construction scraps, treated wood, wrapping paper or boughs from evergreens.

If you've never had your chimney cleaned and inspected or it's been a while, the Agawam Fire Department encourages you to take these precautions to prevent a chimney fire in your home.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1991, at 6:45 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of **SPRINGFIELD RESOURCE RECOVERY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** which is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20-51, Paragraph C of the Zon-

ing Ordinances, to allow for the construction of two (2) structures, (Ash Management Building and Maintenance Shed) at the Resource Recovery Facility located on 200 M STREET, BOND'S ISLAND.

By order of the Board of Appeals,  
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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sion of a Special Permit to allow for the continued operation of a kennel at the premises identified at 143 SOUTH STREET.

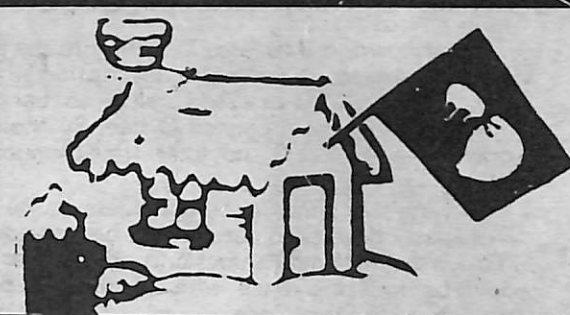
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### LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR DEADLINE is every Tuesday at noontime for news items, classified ads, and display ads.

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## Families

### F.H. Public Market Taking Donations For U.S. Servicemen

#### "Buy A Bow, Send A Box"

We are off to a great start! The first week of bow selling brought in donations of \$102.21, and enough to send our first box overseas to an Agawam resident, then to be distributed to his platoon. The package contained writing pads, envelopes, postage stamps, pens, pencils, crossword puzzle books, deodorant, body lotion, foot powder, peanuts, gum, and lifesavers, nail clippers, and lip balm. This package was mailed December 11th.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution may pick up their bow at the Feeding Hills Public Market. Bows are also being sold through the campus of American International College and Western New England College, along with the European Footwear Store at Baystate West.

People participating in the making and selling of bows are Feeding Hills Public Market, LynnAnn Carboneau, Melanie Irek/AIC, Kim Gallacher, Becky Dennis, Jane Dennis, organizer, Kathleen Gallacher, Lisa Fournier/WNEC, Brooke Benson/European Footwear, Sharen Theroux.

Ribbon donated by LynnAnn Carboneau and Jane Dennis. Cards for bows donated by Sharen Theroux and Jean Emmons.

We need help in getting the addresses of our service men and women overseas. Please call; let's not forget our children so far away from home.

A complete list of items purchased and all donations made will be available upon request.

We would also like to have the pictures of all service men and women brought to the Feeding Hills Public Market so we can display them.

For further information, contact Jane Dennis, 789-3402. We need your support!

You turn our pages every week for all the hometown news!!!



A GROUP OF townsfolk are gathering weekly in preparations for sending care packages to U.S. Servicemen in the Persian Gulf, including several from Agawam. The group is sponsoring the project in conjunction with Feeding Hills Public Market on Springfield Street. From left - Kathleen Gallacher, Becky Dennis, Brooke Benson, Kim Gallacher, Melanie Irek, and Jane Dennis (standing). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Agawam Tour Planners Offer Several Trips

The Agawam Tour Planners have several trips scheduled for their early 1991 season.

On February 11th for three days will be the exciting Atlantic City Midweek Getaway. Accommodations are at the Claridge Hotel and Casino.

April 4th for four days will take us to the beautiful Penn Dutch country. Highlights include trips to Farmers Market and Lancaster City, Amish Homestead, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Hershey World

USA, and much more.

A professional tour guide will accompany the group. Reservations may be made through the Ticket Booth at the Agawam Senior Center, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., daily, or call Helen Blanchard, 786-9859, or Millie Mathias, 786-9093, for more information.

A \$25 deposit will hold your reservation. Agawam Tour Planners trips are open to the public.



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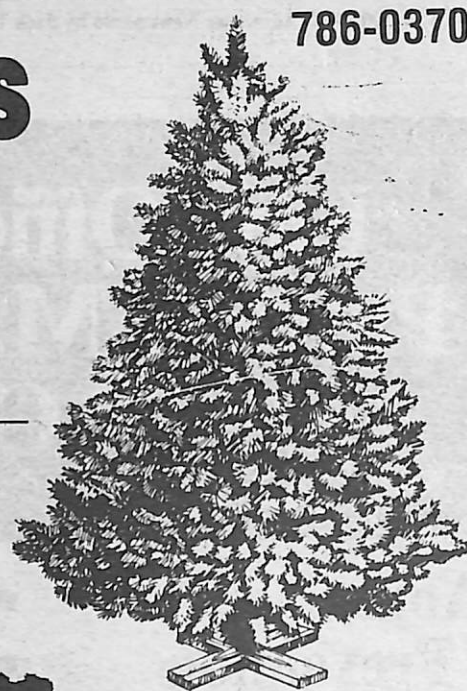
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## Fresh Christmas Trees Still A Hot Item



OVER AT CINCOTTA FARMS on Springfield Street in Feeding Hills Center, fresh Christmas trees are being sold seven days a week in preparation for the big day. From left - Laura Cincotta (owner), Julie Spear, John Lynch, August Cary, Barbara Dykema, and Bill Spear. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CASCIO NURSERY on Meadow Street is also a hot spot to purchase famous flocked Christmas trees and wreaths. Pictured above selling a regular tree are owner Tom Cascio, Sr., and granddaughter Jennifer. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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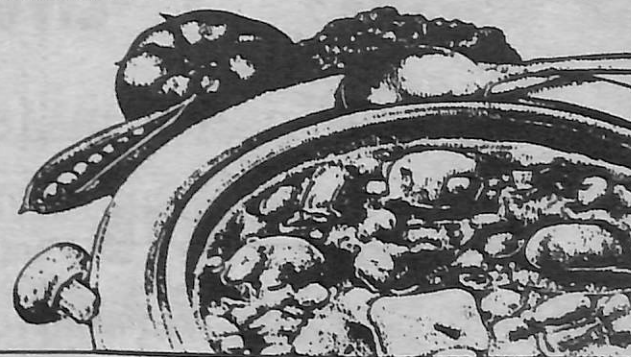
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## Agawam Senior Center Lunch Menu

**Monday, December 17th:** Pork cutlet, spaghetti with extra sauce, broccoli, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit.

**Tuesday, December 18th:** Beef stew (potatoes, onions, peas, celery, carrots), tossed salad, rye bread, prunes.

**Wednesday, December 19th:** Barbecue ribs, homemade creole sauce, baked beans, cole slaw, pumpernickel bread, pineapple tidbits.

**Thursday, December 20th:** Christmas Celebration. Roast beef au jus, pan roasted potatoes, acorn squash, snowflake roll, Christmas cheesecake.

**Friday, December 21st:** Clam chowder, tuna salad on rye, three bean salad, chocolate pudding with whipped topping.

## An Evening Of Song At Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills will be offering their Annual Evening of Song, Sunday, December 16th, at 7:00 p.m., in the church, Springfield Street. Contemporary Christmas hymns will be sung as well as the cantata "First Christmas."

The choir is under the direction of Jeannette Denoncourt; narrator will be Ann Favreau; Christine Mineo will accompany on flute; and Anna Mitchell will be the organist and pianist.

The public is welcome to attend this evening of Christmas music. The event is free and a reception immediately follows in the parish center.

## Valley Community Has Chicken Dinner Jan. 12

Valley Community Church, 152 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will hold a Chicken Dinner, Saturday, January 12th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Adults are \$6; children, \$3. Please call 786-2445.

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## Nativity Scene At Feeding Hills Congregational

As you pass the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, take a look at the Nativity Scene and remember "...the reason for the season."

The Nativity Scene was begun by the Christian Education Board three years ago. The Diaconate con-

tributed to a modular stable which can be easily assembled each year.

The Sunday School of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will present a play with narrative and song as a most special part of this Advent Worship, on Sunday, December 16th, at 10:00 a.m.

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2 Chocolate Chip Pancakes - \$3.95

### December Lunch Specials

Any Weekday Between 11:30 - 2:30

½ Sandwich & Cup Of Soup - \$2.85

Or

Kielbasa Cheese And Sauerkraut On A Hard Roll - \$3.95

### December Dinner Specials

Dinner Specials Served From 4:30 P.M. To 8:00 P.M. While They Last

**Monday** Closed At 2:00

**Tuesday** Fried Chicken With Mashed Potato .....\$5.75  
Or

Salisbury Steak With Mashed Potato .....\$5.25  
Soup Of The Day - Vegetable Beef

**Wednesday** Ziti And Meatballs .....\$4.95  
Or

Shepherd's Pie .....\$5.25  
Soup Of The Day - Split Pea

**Thursday** Stuffed Pork Chop With Mashed Potato .....\$5.95  
Or

Beef Stew .....\$4.95  
Soup Of The Day - Chicken Or Turkey

**Friday** Fish And Chips With Cole Slaw .....\$5.95  
Or

Meatloaf With Mashed Potato .....\$5.50  
Soup Of The Day - Clam Or Fish Chowder

**Saturday** Broiled Scallops And Baked Potato .....\$6.95  
Or

Ham Steak .....\$5.50

**Sunday** Baked Stuffed Chicken Breast .....\$5.50  
Or

Pork Roast With Mashed Potatoes .....\$6.50

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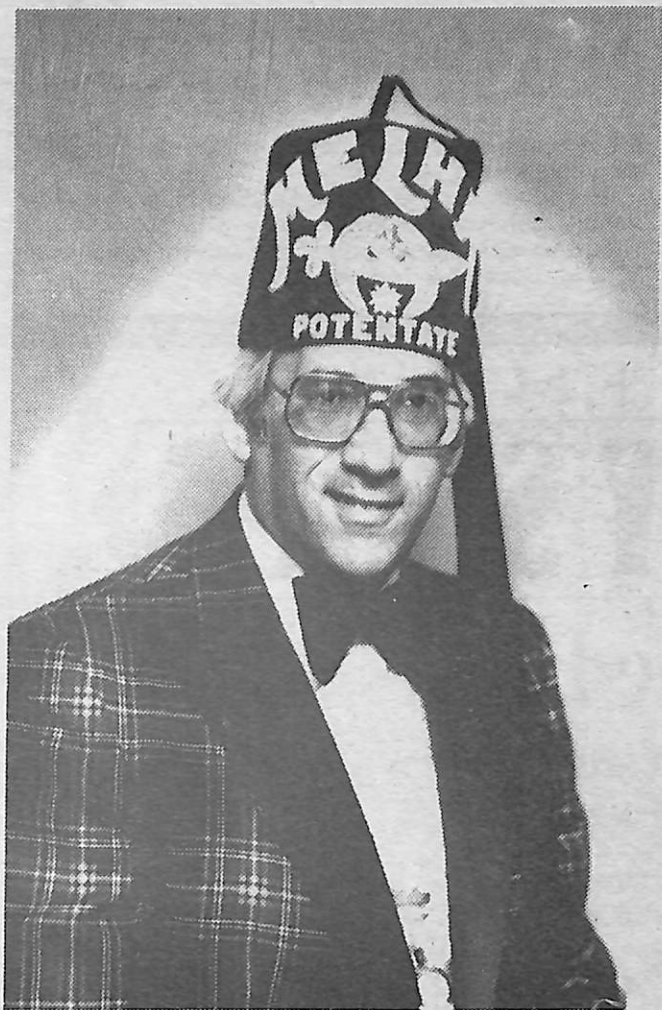
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## Santa Claus Arrives At Sacred Heart Church



SANTA CLAUS arrived just in time for the Sacred Heart Church Christmas Bazaar, much to the delight of the many children who attended the event. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Shriners' Skolnick To Honor Past Potentate

David Skolnick, Illustrious Potentate of Springfield's Melha Shrine Temple has announced he will honor Allen G. Zippin, Past Potentate, at Melha Temple's Fall Ceremonial which will be held on Saturday, December 15th, at Melha Temple, 133 Longhill Street, Springfield.

It is expected that Skolnick will create 65 new Shriners in a special class named in honor of Zippin.

Zippin was born in Springfield, and was educated in the Springfield Public School system, received his bachelor of arts degree at American International College and his master's degree in education at Westfield State College. He is married to the former Barbara Zeller and they have two sons, Brian and Mark. The Zippins are members of Temple Beth El, Springfield.

In his professional career Zippin served the Springfield Public Schools as a teacher and counselor from 1963 to 1980. He also served on various advisory committees in the school system. He is presently employed by The Children's Study Home where he is the director of Education and Principal.

He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau where he serves as secretary. He is also a member of the Jewish Community Center, Independent City of Homes Association, and the Henry Lasker-Shalom

Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

Zippin is a member and past master of Samuel D. Sherwood Lodge A.F. & A.M., Springfield. He served as District Deputy Grand Master in 1972 and 1973, Junior Grand Steward of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1974, a member of the Grand Lodge Speakers Bureau from 1973 to present and he was a Grand Lodge Trainer in 1986. He is the recipient of the Dwight H. Keyes Award for Meritorious Service to Samuel D. Sherwood Lodge in 1977.

He is a member of all Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Springfield, and is active in several Masonic Drama Plays. Zippin is a member of the Scottish Rite Advisory Council and was Sovereign Prince, Massasoit Council, Princes of Jerusalem from 1988-1990.

Zippin joined Melha Temple in 1968 and was appointed Captain of the Guard in 1975. He was elected Illustrious Potentate of Melha Temple in 1983. He is a

member of the Oriental Band, and a Charter Member of the Past Masters Unit and 21-45 Club. He is also a member of several other Shrine Units and Shrine Clubs including the Old Timers Club of Melha Temple.

Zippin was a member of the following committees at Melha Temple, and is currently chairman of the Circus Committee for the annual Melha Shrine Circus. Further, he is a trustee of the Fraternal Fund and a Life Member, International Cabiri.

Zippin has served as Imperial Outer Guard Aide, Imperial Marshal's Aide, and a member of the Imperial Membership Steering Committee.

He was appointed to the Board of Governors, Springfield Unit, Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in 1986, and was appointed vice-chairman of the Board in 1990. He is also currently serving as the owner's agent for the construction on the new Shriners Hospital currently under construction in Springfield.

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A virtual collector's paradise, the show promises to be the largest event of its type in the area with a wide variety of goods including a display of custom knives.

The show will feature Winchester specialists, Dave Bichrest of Gray, Maine, and Bill English of New Hampshire, who will display Springfields dating to the 1700's. Worldwide Firearms of Enfield, Connecticut, will display new firearms from Smith & Wesson along with classic machine guns.

Exhibitors at the show include Civil War gun dealer, Joe Marino of Schenectady, New York, Art Maus of Toledo, Ohio, with military items and Anthony

Galazan with high grade shotguns.

Knife dealers from throughout the Northeast will display custom made knives and knife manufacturers will be showing many one-of-a-kind creations.

Judy Woolley, the only female member of the Smith & Wesson competition team, will make a personal appearance at the show along with Smith & Wesson historian, Roy Jinks, and several engravers.

The show also includes a variety of related items such as reloading equipment, ammunition, surplus items, lubricants, shooting supplies, books, gifts, gun cabinets, and more.

Show hours are Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 and children under 12 (accompanied by an adult) are free.

## Children's Xmas Pageant At Ag. Congo Dec. 24

Do you like seeing children perform? Do you like to sing Christmas carols? Come join the Agawam Congregational Church on December 24th, at 7:00 p.m., to see the Children's Christmas Pageant. For more information, please call Sue Tapply, 786-1430, or Grace Tilden at the church office, 786-7111.

On Christmas Eve, December 24th, at 11:00 p.m., the church will have its Candlelight Service. Come join in Christian fellowship on this special night.

On Sunday, December 16th, at 10:30 a.m., the church Sanctuary Choir will present the "Festival of Christmas" by Wilson. Come hear the voices and enjoy the music under the direction of Frank Taplin, guest organist and choir director.

Choir members performing are Bryant Albert,

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On Friday, December 21st, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the staff of the Agawam Congregational Church will have an Open House. Come in for a cup of coffee or tea and enjoy some special Christmas treats. The Open House will be held in the Friendship Room of the church.

## Junior Women's Club Has Direct Line To Santa Claus; Send It In Right Away!!!

The Agawam Junior Women's Club have a direct line to Santa Claus, and letters are sent to: **Santa Claus, c/o 24 Tanglewood Drive, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.**

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## William S. Whitehead Graduates 82nd Airborne

William S. Whitehead, son of William & Katherine Whitehead of 16 Cosgrove Avenue, Agawam, has graduated from the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Benning, Georgia. He completed Army basic training at Fort Benning in November.

He will return home for a short Christmas visit prior to returning to Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

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Wednesday, December 19th  
Annual Financial Aid Night  
AHS Auditorium  
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Wednesday, December 19th  
Annual AHS Winter Concert  
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7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 20th  
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## Kelly McNamee Bride Of David Newcomb

Kelly McNamee and David Newcomb were united in matrimony on September 22nd, at Mittineague Congregational Church, West Springfield.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James McNamee of 100 Sylvan Lane, Feeding Hills.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. & Mrs. A. Blair Newcomb of Walpole, Massachusetts.

Joanne Pallotta attended the bride as maid of honor.

Henry Newcomb served his brother as best man.

The bride graduated from Agawam High School and the University of Massachusetts. She is a senior supervisor at Paul Revere Life Insurance Company, Worcester.

Her husband graduated from Walpole High School and attended the University of Massachusetts. He is employed by Reebok, Stoughton.

The couple reside in Milford, Massachusetts.



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The dates are Saturday and Sunday, December 15th and 16th, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, December 22nd and 23rd, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

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But, you and I will yield to a feeling of hope—a new perspective—which WILL lessen the outer world's control.

You and I will lean weary selves on the promises of the Prince of Peace. We will be among those of Good Will.

And THAT will make all of the difference for us. And what we cannot make happen...He will assure for us.

Christmas is Coming! It is time to believe that a light is coming into the darkness...and the darkness cannot erase it...for, the light is stronger than the darkness.

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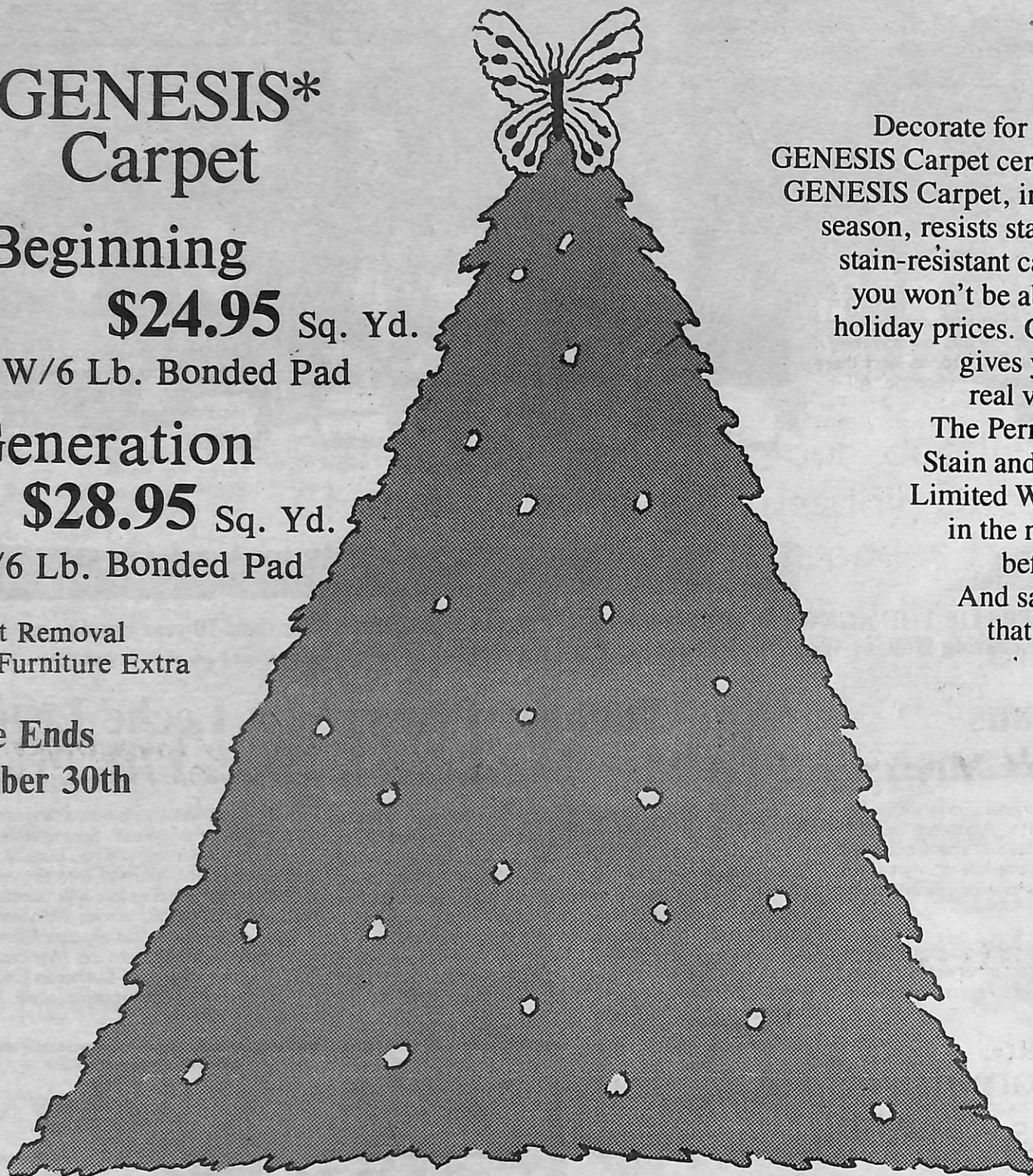
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# Gala 10-Year Reunion For AHS Class Of '80



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1980 gathered for their 10-year reunion on the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend. RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Mrs. Santa Claus Guest Of Jr. Women

This year once again the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts, Agawam Junior Women's Club has asked Mrs. Claus if she would be able to take time out of her busy schedule to visit with the children and possibly read us one of her favorite stories.

Good news! Mrs. Claus will be at the Agawam Public Library on Thursday, December 20th, after school from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. So don't forget to come and visit with her.

## Ag. Chamber Plans Holiday Breakfast

The Agawam Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual Holiday Breakfast on Friday, December 21st, at 7:45 a.m., at Crestview Country Club in Agawam. The speaker will be MaryLynn Wajert, M.Ed from S.T.A.R.T. who speak on "Assessing Stress and Personal Performance Barriers." Musical entertainment by Rich Mitnick from Sounds of Music Keyboards.

Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, December 19th. To make a reservation, call Jean Falk at the Chamber office, 787-1540.

## La Leche League Has Dec. 17th Program

If your family is awaiting the arrival of a new member, the West Springfield-Agawam La Leche League meeting: "The Family in Relation to the Breastfed Baby," may interest you.

Informal discussion will center on how to manage those first hectic weeks with emphasis on the entire family as well as timely tips for mother and baby. The meeting will be held on Monday, December 17th, at 7:30 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church.

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The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service begins at 7:30 p.m. Luminaries provided by Ed and Phyllis Damon will beckon worshippers to the Sanctuary. The Children's Choir is led by Debbie & Ken Fisher. The Senior Choir will sing and there will be solos by John McLaughlin and Homer Wright. Jeanne Webster will narrate the pageant "Why The Chimes Rang." Stars of the performance will be Pedro played by David Dello Russo and Little Brother played by Jonathan Roberts. The service will conclude by individual candlelighting. The public is cordially invited.

## Christina M. Burrows Named Media Planner

Leonard Monahan Lubars and Partners (LML&P) announces the appointment of Christina M. Burrows as assistant media planner.

Prior to joining LML&P, Christina was an account coordinator at Quinn & Company.

Christina received a bachelor of arts degree in 1989 from Providence College in English and Humanities. She is a 1985 graduate of Agawam High School.

LML&P's clients include Keds, Division of Stride Rite; Spalding Golf Clubs, American Tourister, Hood Ice Cream, NYNEX Mobile Communications, and Anderson-Little. The agency, founded in 1978, has been recognized for its many national and regional awards, including One Shows, Clios, CA Awards and capturing the most honors in the New England Hatch Awards in 1989, as well as in 1988, 1985, and 1984. LML&P billings now exceed \$40 million.

## Jim & Kathy Planzo Announce Birth Of Son

Jim & Kathy (Hayes) Planzo of 200 Adams Street, Agawam, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Nicholas James Planzo.

Nicholas was born at 10:46 p.m., November 9th, at Providence Hospital. He weighed in at 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 20½ inches long.

Proud grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Louis Planzo, Anna Hayes, and the late James Hayes, all of Agawam.

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## 10-Year Reunion Committee For AHS '80



MEMBERS OF THE 10-YEAR Reunion Committee for the Agawam High Class of 1980 at the gala party. From left - Maria Sutton, Mary (Garvey) Barry, Fred Withee, Sue Borowiec, Lisa (Capitanio) Maggi, and Susan Garvin. RELATED PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

PLEASE REMEMBER our deadline for our Christmas Edition is Tuesday, December 18th at noontime. Our office opens both Monday and Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. If we can help, call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137. You can slide your items under our door on Saturday.

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**LADDY BISSON WITH HER FAMILY** - (mom) Nancy, (dad) Ronald, Laddy, baby Steven, Grandpa Donald, Grandma Joan, and Aunt Diane.



**LADDY BISSON** with her neighbors at Danahy Schoolhouse Congregate housing facility - Peggy Lang, Teresa Barrett, Maria Jaeger, great-grandma Laddy, great-grandson Steven, Neillie Kida, and Alice Parenteau.

## Laddy Bisson Celebrates Arrival Of First Great-Grandchild

Ninety-one year-old Laddy Bisson recently celebrated the arrival of her first great-grandchild, Steven, with her family and neighbors at the Danahy Schoolhouse Congregate housing facility in Agawam.

A 60-year resident of Springfield, Mrs. Bisson has lived at the Danahy congregare housing facility for the past two years. She is one of eight elders living in this unique shared living environment.

Congregate living is an affordable alternative for elders which combines privacy and companionship with independence and support services. For more information on the program, contact Greater Springfield Senior Services, Inc., 781-8800, or the Agawam Housing Authority, 786-1297.

Great-grandson, Steven's parents are Ronald & Nancy Bisson of Newington, Connecticut. His grandparents are Donald & Joan Bisson of Windsor, Connecticut.

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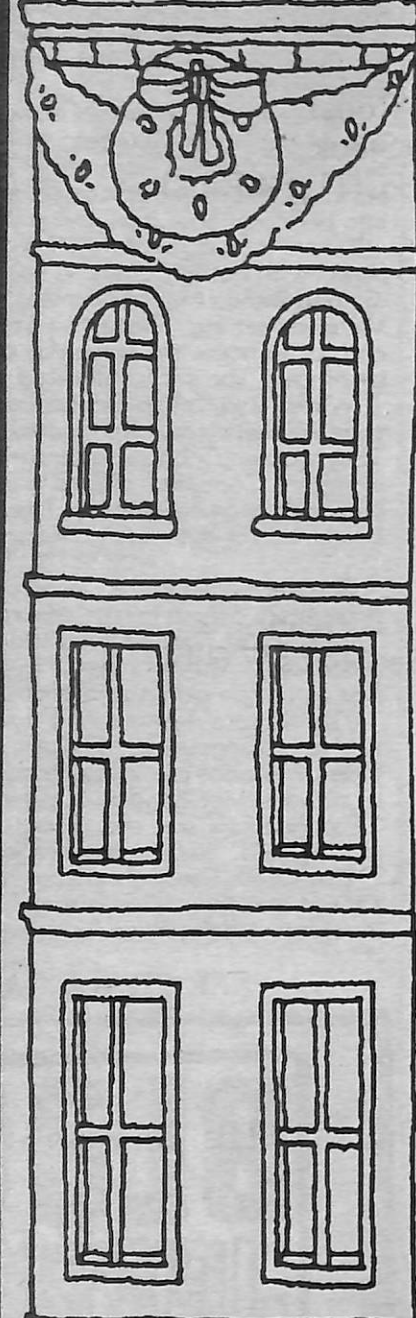
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## Spotlight On Business



GLORIA DEFEJO and DIANE MURRAY are owners and operators of "The Chalk Garden," located in The Galleria Shops in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DEBBIE LANOYE and VIOLA KOPATZ, employees of "The Chalk Garden," in the Galleria Shops in Feeding Hills, display some of the wonderful creations made with the elegance of the Victorian Era. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Victorian Crafts A Holiday Favorite For The Chalk Garden

by Debra Macey Taylor  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

*In the tradition of Christmas Past, we gather our gifts from which memories last.*

The Chalk Garden, located in the Galleria Shops on 360 North Westfield Street in Feeding Hills, invites you to visit a simpler time. The elegance and beauty that was the Victorian Era.

Owners Diane Murray and Gloria DeFeo transport you back in time with their beautiful baskets, flower arrangements, bows, ornaments, fine linens, and other exceptional gifts.

Murray and DeFeo are sisters originally from Westfield. Murray studied art and retailing, and DeFeo was a floral designer for seven years. Murray's husband was in the Navy, and the couple was stationed for three years in London and almost two years in Spain.

While there, Murray soaked up a lot of the European culture and upon returning to the United States, the two sisters decided to try their luck and open their own business. Murray has incorporated some of that culture into her creations, thus giving them a European flair.

Before they acquired their shop, The Chalk Garden began with house parties. A hostess would invite Murray and DeFeo into her home and they would create a Victorian setting. The festive items could be purchased and taken home the same day or special orders could be placed. The shop still offers house parties.

Murray and DeFeo met Liz Coon, owner of the European Marketplace, also located in the Galleria Shops. They wanted Coon to sell some of their items on consignment. Coon then offered to rent them the loft of the European Marketplace and The Chalk Garden officially opened for business in September.

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The shop specializes in porcelainized flowers. Silk flowers are dipped in a gel-like solution to stiffen them. Then they are hand-painted and glazed. "It's not a new procedure," Murray stated. "But I believe we were the first to do (porcelainize) ribbons and bows."

The flowers' ribbons and bows are then placed in festive arrangements, baskets, ornaments, and festoons. Festoons are strings or chains of flowers, leaves, or ribbons that hang in a curve between two points. "The festoons are one of our more popular items," Murray said. "People like them on their mantelpieces."

The Chalk Garden's decorative baskets can be purchased and then filled with gourmet goodies from the European Marketplace for a special holiday gift.

SEE CHALK GARDEN - Page 21...

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THE BASKETS AND WREATHS at "The Chalk Garden" in Feeding Hills are truly beautiful. Pictured are Gloria DeFeo, Diane Murray, and Patricia Kopatz. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## CHALK GARDEN - from Page 20...

Murray emphasizes that the shop's creations are done almost completely by hand. "Everything is picked and dried by hand. Even the birch branches are taken right out of the woods off some land my mother owns."

The Chalk Garden is definitely a family operation. Murray says that her mom and sisters-in-law have been wonderful and extremely supportive. "Gloria (DeFeo) and I couldn't do it without them."

Murray commutes to her shop three or four times a week from her home in Worcester, so DeFeo maintains a studio in her Westfield home. Many of the shop's gifts begin in this studio.

The shop is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Murray stated that upon her arrival back to the United States from Europe, here was the best country in the world and the land of opportunity. "Nowhere else in the world could two women who aren't rich open a business and try to make a go of it," she said.

Stop into The Chalk Garden and browse around. You just might find that perfect gift.

## New Special Mortgage Program Announced By Westfield Savings Bank; Features Low Rate

Westfield Savings Bank announced introduction of a special mortgage program designed to help both home buyers and builders. The program is designed to make home ownership more affordable.

Becky Ligsukis, vice president of lending, described the program as an effort to help builders market existing "spec" properties. The special mortgage plan features lower interest rates and no points to buyers of these properties.

This special mortgage option offers a 30-year term and a low interest rate with fixed adjustments for easier budget planning. An initial first-year rate of 8.5 percent adjusts to 9.0 percent in the second year and 9.5 percent in the third year. After the third year the loan converts to a one-year Adjustable Rate Mortgage with a rate tied to the one-year Treasury rate.

Additional special features of this program include no points, a \$200 appraisal fee and, in certain circumstances, lower attorney closing costs.

This program applies only for those homebuilders receiving Westfield Savings Bank financing.

Ms. Ligsukis noted that the "...special financing might help persuade some hesitant home buyers to make this investment while helping builders sell units that have gone unsold due to the sluggish economy. This is why the bank is offering a rate significantly below our present 10 percent rate..."

Vincent Connor, a participating builder, praised the program as a way to help builders sell existing housing inventory while providing a "...great chance for buyers." Connor said he has several units in Agawam eligible for the program which is limited to homes already built or approaching completion.

The special mortgage program is in effect until April 1st, 1991. There are about 40 units that fit the program's requirements. These are located primarily in Westfield, Southwick, Agawam, and West Springfield.



*Effective December 17th, Darlene's Place of 37 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, will be sold and under new management.*

*I would like, at this time to thank my employees and all my customers for their loyalty and understanding through the good times as well as the bad.*

*I'm leaving with mixed emotions. Saying good-bye will be very difficult. You have all become a part of my family and I'll miss you all.*

*Darlene's Place will be closed on Monday, December 17th, and reopened December 18th with Francis Mulcahy as the new owner.*

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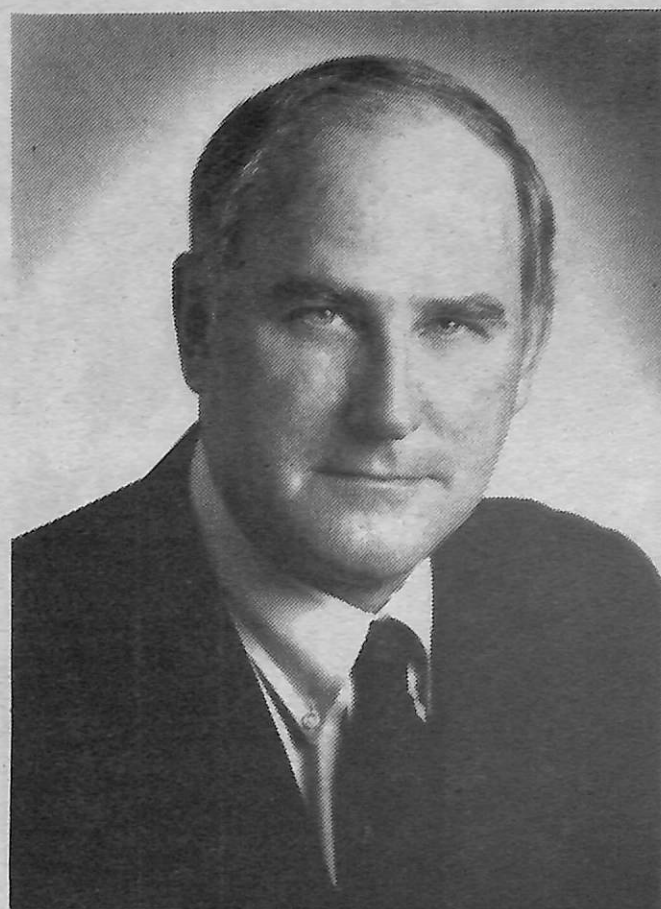
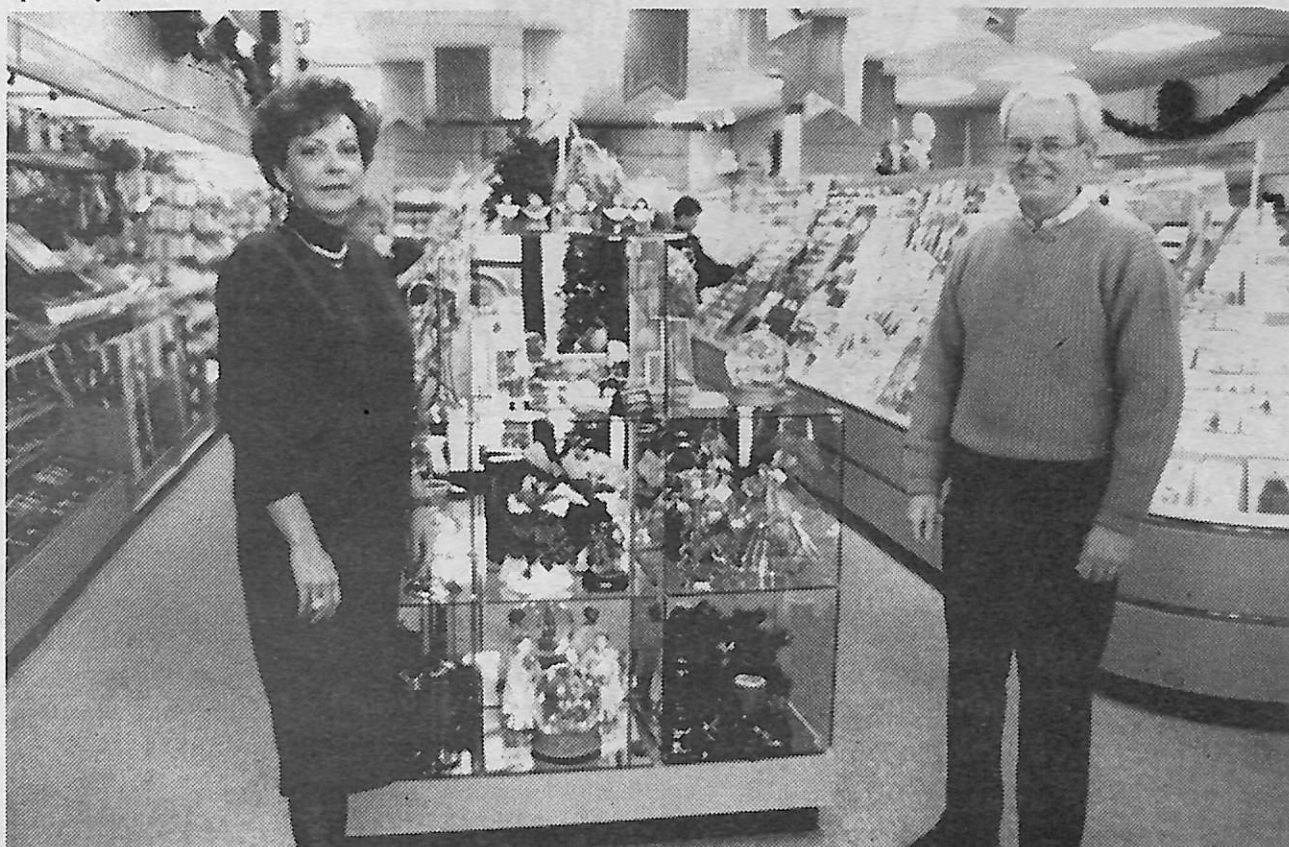


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OVER AT THE SOUTHGATE SHOPPING PLAZA on Suffield Street, one of the truly beautiful stores in town belongs to Surprise! and Gift, owned and operated by Bob & Barbara McElligott. In TOP PHOTO, Barbara is showing off the new Hallmark ornaments; and in PHOTO BELOW, Barbara & Bob pose next to a display of dolls and accessories. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



ROGER G. KENNEDY

## Roger G. Kennedy On Big E Bd. Of Trustees

Roger G. Kennedy of Feeding Hills has been elected to serve on the Board of Trustees of Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield.

Kennedy is executive vice president of Baybank Valley Trust Company. He also serves as director of Downey Side and is past president of Springfield School Volunteers.

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## Spotlight On Business - continued...

## Laundrymat Bought By Surprise! Card Owner



**BOB MCELLIGOTT**, owner and operator of the beautiful Surprise! Card and Gift in the Southgate Shopping Center, has purchased and completely renovated the neighboring laundrymat and dry cleaning business now called Southgate Coin-Op Laundry and Dry Cleaning.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**ASSISTING CUSTOMER** Mike Kulik with his laundry over at the newly renovated Southgate Coin-Op Laundry and Dry Cleaning is owner and operator Bob McElligott. Bob also owns and operates the beautiful Surprise! Card and Gift located next door. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Heritage Hall Owner  
Fast Growing Firm

Genesis Health Ventures, Inc., owners of Heritage Hall Nursing Home, has been named as one of America's fastest growing companies by *Inc. Magazine*.

In the December issue, the magazine ranks Genesis 174 out of 500 top privately-held companies in the United States. The rankings are based on a percentage increase in sales from 1985 through 1989. Companies had to show at least \$100,000 but no more than \$25 million in sales for 1985, and had to register a sales increase between 1988 and 1989.

Following its first acquisition of nine health centers in 1985, Genesis Health Ventures has grown to three divisions and 4,500 employees.

Together, these divisions form a geriatric health care system that ensures continuity in care for more than 20,000 individuals.

The Health Center Division is comprised of 30 health centers and an extended care facility for 20 head injured adults. Genesis Health Services, consisting of Team Rehabilitation, ASCO Healthcare and Physician Services, supports comprehensive care and social programs aimed at helping the elderly reach a maximum level of functioning.

Total Care Systems, Genesis' most recent acquisition, allows the company to provide its services to customers within a retirement living environment.

Genesis operates in six marketplaces: Hartford, Connecticut/Springfield, Massachusetts; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania/Wilmington, Delaware; Baltimore, Maryland/Washington, D.C.; the Eastern Shore of Maryland; Charlotte, North Carolina; and Boca Raton, Florida.

IRS Has New Forms  
For Businesses

It's green and white and simplified all over. It's one of the Internal Revenue Service's latest entries in tax forms, Form 940-EZ, Employer's Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return. The IRS estimates that about 85 percent of all existing Form 940 filers will be able to use the new form, which made its first appearance in 1989.

In order to use the form, the business must have timely paid unemployment contributions to only one state. The new Form 940-EZ is easily distinguished from its parent form by its green type and streamlined appearance. The two-part format and simplified instructions should save time for small businesses with uncomplicated tax situations and many household employers.

Form 940-EZ, like Form 940, must be filed by January 31st following the close of the calendar year for which the tax is due. The form is included in Publication 393, Federal Employment Tax Forms, as well as Package 942, Household Employer Tax Forms. New employers may order a copy from the IRS by calling toll-free 1-800-829-3676.

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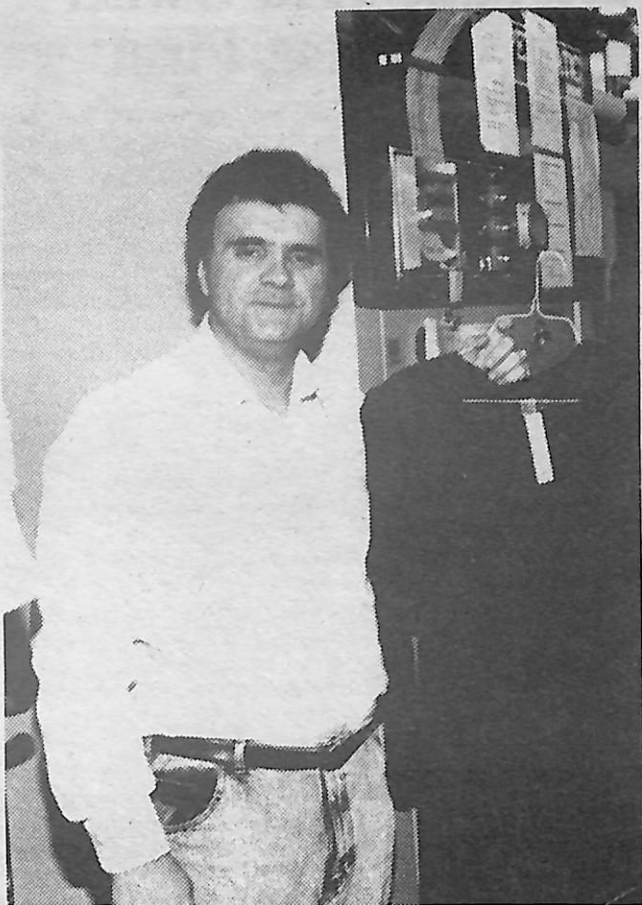
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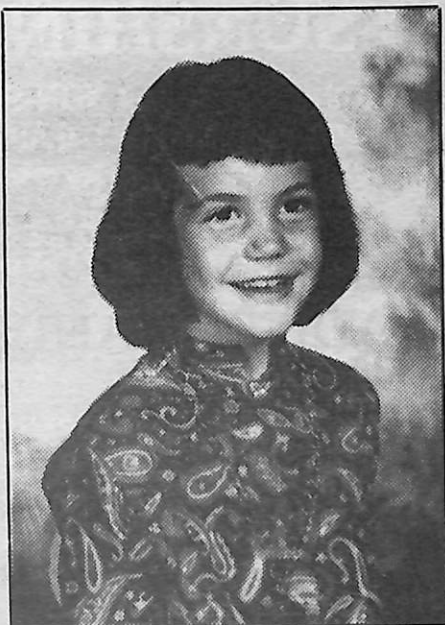
**FRED WOJONAROWICZ**, owner and operator of Agawam Finest Cleaners, is hard at work dry cleaning clothes with assistant Daniela Rondeau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**STAFF MEMBERS** of Agawam Finest Cleaners remind their customers there's still plenty of time to bring in holiday clothing to be dry cleaned and pressed right on the premises. From left - Shelley Egan, Justine Morin, Michelle Willard, and Maureen Dumas. **MORE PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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**Spotlight On Business - continued...****The Customer Comes First At Agawam Finest Cleaners**

IN PHOTO LEFT, Rosemarie Russo, an employee of Agawam Finest Cleaners, presses a dress; in PHOTO RIGHT, employee Shelly Egan assists customers Patricia (mom) and Angela Buendo. Agawam Finest is located in Agawam Center. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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STAFF MEMBERS of the Agawam branch of Bank of New England West are pictured with their "Stockings of Joy" display. From left - Judy Hadley, Colleen Corliss, Sherry Carter, Fran Alibozek (manager), and Margaret Mascaro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Branch Of Bank Of New England Distributing Holiday Stocking In Town

"New England Stockings of Joy," a program aimed at sharing the joy of giving during the holiday season with local charitable and other nonprofit organizations, was announced by Bank of New England Corporation.

Through the program, stockings filled with gifts by customers and employees will be donated to local nonprofit organizations such as homeless shelters and day care centers. In Agawam, recipient organizations include Agawam Junior Women's Club. In the days before Xmas, BNE Branch Manager Fran Alibozek will present the stockings to these groups to distribute.

BNE President D. Bruce Wheeler said, "The economy in New England is particularly difficult this year. It's a challenge to all of us. I'm proud to be part of an organization whose employees and customers are taking this opportunity to share the joy of the holiday season with all the members of our community—whether in homeless shelters, day care centers, or half-way houses. Working together, Fran Alibozek, the employees at the Agawam office, and I hope we make this season a happier one for many of them."

The Stockings program is being offered in over 350

Bank of New England Corporation branches in four New England states. The staff of each branch has on hand holiday stockings to be filled with gifts for a designated charitable or nonprofit organization in its community. Along with the stocking, colorful posters on display in each branch list the organization to receive the holiday stockings and some suggested gifts.

Customers and employees wishing to participate can take a stocking home, fill it, and return the stocking to the branch. Customers who prefer to make a cash contribution may do so through special accounts set up in each district. Contributions will be divided among the various organizations in each district. The filled stockings will be collected in each branch and will be distributed to the local nonprofit organization during the week of December 17th.


Bank of New England Corporation (which) is a Boston-based interstate bank holding company with assets of \$23 billion and banking offices in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maine, and Rhode Island. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the symbol NEB.



AGAWMA BNE BRANCH MANAGER Fran Alibozek and assistant manager Sherry Carter invite customers to participate in the "Stockings of Joy" project. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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### Nighttime Pain; Numb Arm

**QUESTION:** I'm often awakened at night with my arm numb and tingling. The condition is getting worse with time and a friend said I could have a pinched nerve. I normally sleep lying on my stomach with my head turned to one side. When I try to turn over my neck is stiff. A hot shower seems to help but not much. It seems to get better when I'm up and moving around. Driving the car sometimes causes the same type of symptoms. Could chiropractic help me?

**ANSWER:** You appear to be describing a cervicobrachial syndrome meaning the dysfunction and symptoms in your arm are casually related to your neck. Don't be surprised to learn that the underlying cause of the arm pain is indeed in your neck, even though you only have stiffness here. Seeking appropriate chiropractic treatment for this condition is advisable. If pain control is your only objective your medical doctor may recommend an anti-inflammatory in combination with a muscle relaxer.

However, an underlying cause of the problem is in need of correction. Masking the symptoms of this problem with pain medication will not correct a functional problem in your neck. The chiropractor is not only interested in relieving your pain, he also wants to correct the underlying cause of the pain and then help to keep it from coming back. Your chiropractor will take the time to examine your spine and study x-rays of the problem area.

Following the analysis of your condition, a program of care and rehabilitation will be recommended. There may be structural weaknesses, degenerative changes, postural considerations or other reasons which will affect your rate of recovery. Should your chiropractor feel it necessary to consult with another doctor or refer you, it will be done.

## Increased Stress During The Holidays

The Fowler Wing of Noble Hospital recognizes that the holiday season can bring stress in addition to cheer. The very traditions that make up holiday celebrations can be the cause of stress and depression. For many people, the emphasis on socializing, shopping, and family contact can become a burden. Others, who are alone or do not enjoy the season can feel isolated and distressed.

The Fowler Wing is offering two free workshops designed to help people prepare for and handle the holiday season in healthy ways. The first Holiday Survival Skills Workshop will take place Thursday, December 20th, at 10:00 a.m.; the second program will be held on Thursday, January 10th, at 7:00 p.m. Both programs take place on the ground floor of Noble Hospital.

The workshops are free, but pre-registration is required as space is limited. To register call Noble Hospital's HealthBeat, 568-BEAT.

As the holiday season approaches, the Fowler Wing offers tips on making this season a healthy one. The following is a list of common causes of holiday stress and the suggested "survival skills" for them.

#### Waiting Until The Last Minute To Shop

You know you have this problem when you are asking the clerk at the Dairy Mart if he'll wrap your purchases on Christmas Eve. Pace yourself during the weeks preceding the holidays so that you don't have to do any more shopping than you feel like doing on one shopping trip. The closer Christmas gets, the more impatient and tense the people in the crowds get. That feeling is contagious and can be avoided if you do some advance planning and shop early.

#### Overspending

If you remember your most favorite Christmas, it prob-

ably wasn't the one when you got the most expensive gifts. The idea of gift-giving is not to impress or overwhelm, but rather to do or give something special to another person. The emphasis on giving presents during the holidays has a tendency to make some people feel obliged to spend as much as they can possibly afford. Instead, pay attention to your motives and reasons for buying before you make a purchase. Look to get special gifts, not expensive ones for the sake of spending a large amount of money.

#### Overtaking

Christmas is a time of tradition, and the traditional foods of the season are high-calorie. To stay in control of your eating during the holidays, set realistic expectations—don't plan on losing weight or going without your favorite Christmas treats. Have small portions of your favorites, and give your full attention to eating them so that you get as much satisfaction as you can. If you overeat, practice forgiveness; disappointment overeating often leads to a person giving up all self-control, resulting in an eating binge.

#### Longing For The "Old Times"

This is one of the most common problems during the holiday season and it shows up in different forms. The more subtle form is a longing for the magic of Christmas we knew as children. We believed in Santa and were only interested in receiving, not giving. For adults, it's difficult to recapture that feeling amidst the responsibilities of buying gifts and planning for the holidays. A second type of longing is for members of the family who have moved or passed away. In general, we must realize that it simply takes time to adjust to the changes that mark holiday celebrations as the years pass on. Help yourself to live in and enjoy the present by starting new traditions.

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## Watch Out For Dangerous Kids Toys At Xmas

by Dr. Richard W. Gallerani  
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In years past I have written about toys that can enhance visual skills which would make suitable gifts for the holidays. Toys should have color and motion for infants & enhance hand-eye coordination in older children and teens. Even Nintendo can help visual skills if used in moderation.

Recently the list of most dangerous toys for 1990 was released. It may be more important to be aware of which toys to avoid since there will be 140,000 toy related injuries this year according to Dr. Phillip L. Kaufman of Crete, Illinois, an optometrist who has investigated dangerous toys for the last decade. Twenty-two percent of all eye injuries involve toys and in the period from December 22nd to December 31st the incidence of injuries increases tenfold.

Since the eye is a very sensitive structure, injuries or blows to the eyes may cause more damage than in other parts of the body. Corneal abrasions leading to scarring, hemorrhage into the front of the eye called hyphema, vitreous hemorrhage or retinal detachment may result.

Dr. Kaufman has also described what he calls the "Christmas Syndrome" which increases the possibility of injury. The house may be cluttered and crowded with toys, packages, the Christmas tree, and misplaced furniture. The days are shorter and colder, lights are dim and there is less room to play inside. On Christmas Day when the toys are opened both parents and children may be fatigued, impairing judgement. A toy meant for a 10 year-old may be harmful or cause injury when used by a four year-old. Dr. Kaufman also points out that not all toys are tested by the FTC or Consumer Product Safety Commission and that claims of "safe" or "non-toxic" refers only to the toy's effects on skin and digestive system. The toys may be harmful to eyes.

The list of hazardous toys included:

— **Batman Crossbow**, ages four and up, fires one inch discs up to 30 feet, by Kenner Products, Cincinnati, Ohio;

— **Space Shuttle**, ages eight and up, shoots a hard plastic rocket off a slingshot-like rubber band with enough force to easily break a glass window, by Park Plastic Company, Linden, New Jersey;

— **Tiger Squad Crack Shot**, ages five and up, fires very small pellets similar to BBs more than 30 feet. Distributed by Larami Corporation.

— **Tyco Pocket Power Thunder Blade**, ages five and up, launches a hard plastic helicopter vertically. The helicopter blades revolve at a high rate of speed and there is no way to control where the helicopter goes. In addition, other Pocket Power toys that are dangerous include: Thunderblade, UFO, and Turbo Prop, all manufactured by Sega Enterprises, Ltd., Japan.

— **Nerf Blast-A-Matic**, ages five and up, shoots hard rough balls 35 feet. Manufactured by Parker Brothers, division of Tonka Corporation, Beverly, Massachusetts.

— **Jet & Heli-Gun Launcher**, ages five and up, fires a 5½ x 5 inch plastic jet with sharp, hard-pointed ends,

up to 50 feet. Distributed by Keenway Industries, Ltd., Hong Kong.

— **Nerf Fencing Game**, ages eight and up, features two 17-inch swords made of hardened nerf material, with rough semi-hard ends that could damage the eyes. Manufactured by Parker Brothers, a division of Tonka Corporation, Beverly, Massachusetts.

— **Field King La Crosse Set** for "all ages" features a hard rubber ball. The molded frame with woven basket will propel the ball at a dangerously high speed over a great distance. Distributed by Franklin Sports Industries, Inc., Stoughton, Massachusetts.

— **Boomerang**, ages eight and up, is a plastic boomerang with sharp edges. Manufacturers not listed.

— **Sesame Street Catch Mitts Games**, age three and up, has Velcro strips attached to hard plastic balls. The children put their hand in a Velcro covered mitten to catch the ball. The Velcro on the ball has sharp pointed ends which could damage an eye on contact. Manufactured by Ben Cooper, Inc., New York, New York.

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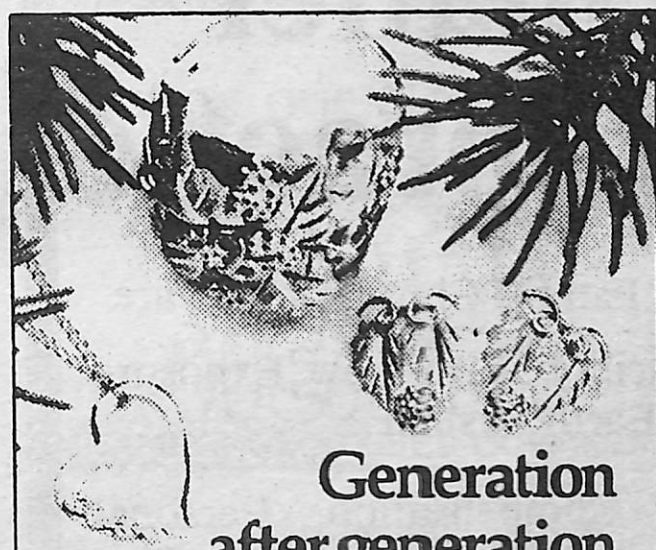
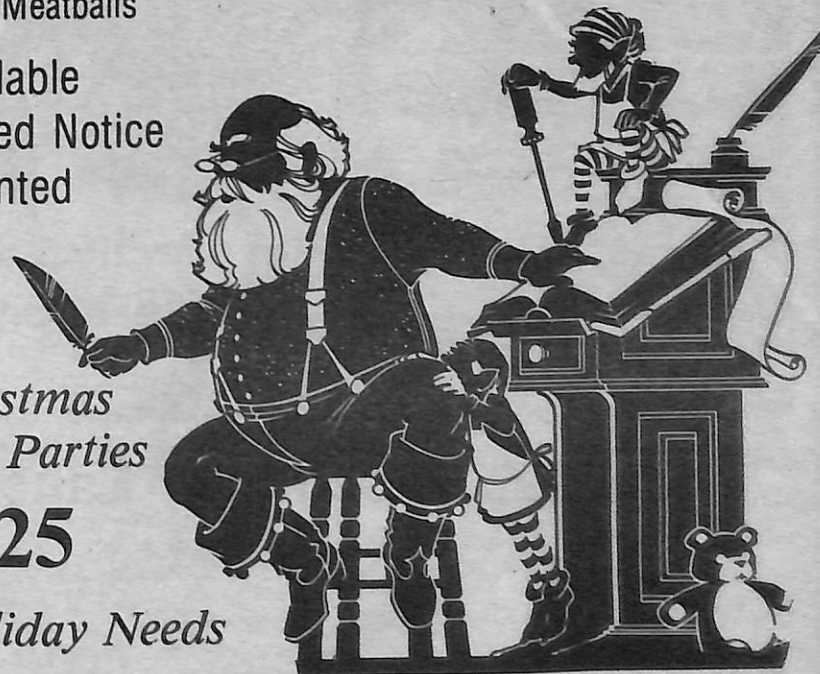
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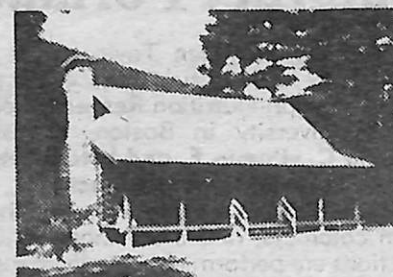
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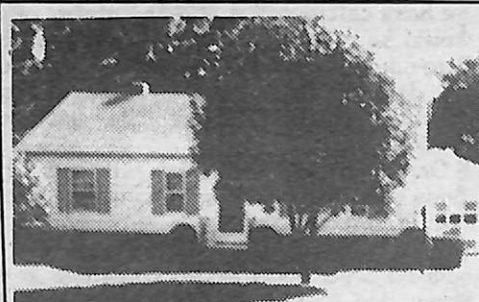
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### Antioxidants Delay Cataract Formation

According to Allen Taylor, Ph.D., director of the Laboratory for Nutrition and Cataract Research at the USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University in Boston, **antioxidants such as vitamin C, vitamin E, and beta-carotene may help to delay the formation of cataracts.**

"More than 50 million persons in the world are blind from cataracts, and more than 541,000 cataract extractions are performed annually in the United States," Dr. Taylor said. Dr. Taylor explained that cataracts develop from the slow deterioration of lens proteins, often by oxidation and that antioxidants such as vitamin C, vitamin E, and beta-carotene could help delay the formation of cataracts.

"The highest protective effect was seen in people with unusually high blood levels of vitamin C," Dr. Taylor said. **"By correlating data from various studies, we have calculated that daily intakes of about 500 mg would be required to achieve such levels.** Given that beta-carotene levels were most highly correlated with the delay of cataracts, it would appear that future research should explore the usefulness of this nutrient."

Dr. Taylor said that other nutrients which may help delay cataract formation are vitamin B2 and selenium, also an antioxidant.

In a study at the University of Scranton, Scranton, Pennsylvania, reported in *Nutrition Reports International*, Joe A. Vinson, Ph.D., and his colleagues concluded that "vitamin C is effective in both slowing down the progression of galactose (sugar)-induced cataracts and in speeding up their regression."

In a study at the University of Western Ontario, London, Canada, James Robertson, M.D., compared the diets of 175 patients with cataracts to 175 controls without cataracts. They found that **the cataract-free group had ingested an average of at least 400 IU of vitamin E and 300 mg of vitamin C daily for the past five years.**

Dr. Robertson added that those who took only vitamin E supplements had about 50 percent less cataract risk than those who did not take vitamins, while those who took vitamin C alone showed a 70 percent risk reduction.

In *The Healing Nutrients Within*, Eric R. Braverman, M.D., and Carl C. Pfeiffer, M.D., Ph.D., reported that glutathione, one of the sulfur-containing amino acids, is found in high concentrations in the cornea and lens of the eye. Glutathione apparently helps to keep the lens transparent, thus protecting it against cataracts.

"Riboflavin deficiency is a factor in cataract formation, because the riboflavin-dependent enzyme glutathione reductase decreases," the authors wrote. "Glutathione reductase was reduced by 25 percent in the lenses of animals with cataracts due to riboflavin deficiency. Cysteine eliminated the effects of riboflavin deficiency, probably by increasing glutathione. Selenium should also be given daily."

## Pay Attention To Heating Systems

Hundreds of people die from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning each year. Often individuals are overcome by gas escaping from a faulty or clogged heating system or stove in their home. Other times, they may become sick from fumes while sitting in a running motor vehicle. Since carbon monoxide is invisible and odorless, you can become sickened or poisoned without knowing it.

Tate Berkan, president of the Safety Council of Western Massachusetts, offers the following suggestions for cutting the risk of being poisoned or sickened by carbon monoxide:

- Any time a fuel is burned, carbon monoxide is produced. While you won't smell, taste or see it, remember to keep fresh air circulating through the area and open a vent or window to eliminate the toxic fumes.

- Do not close your fireplace damper until you are certain the fire is out. If smoke enters the room, it may mean that your furnace is causing a reverse flow. Open a window.

- Have your heating system—furnace, space heater, water heater, fireplace and incinerator—checked annually to make sure they are operating efficiently and that vents, pipes, flues and chimneys are tight.

- Heating devices, especially central furnaces, require a lot of air for proper operation. Make certain that your heating plant is not starving for air. Check

with your heating professional or fuel supplier to be sure.

- Make certain that your garage is well sealed off from the rest of the house. Never run your car engine in an enclosed area. Even while sitting in a running car outside, make sure the tailpipe is unclogged and unobstructed.

- No heating device, designed for venting, should be used until it has been properly vented to the outdoors.

- Use only heating devices that bear the label of a nationally recognized testing laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL). Follow the manufacturers recommendations concerning their installation and use.

- When changing from one type of fuel to another, have all appliances involved adjusted by a qualified service person.

- Never alter or tamper with a heating device in order to get more heat out of it—such as changing the heat ducts or vent pipes.

- Finally, though it is not 100 percent reliable, use your nose as a detection device. Although your nose won't detect the presence of carbon monoxide, it will smell the smoke that accompanies CO. Track down unexplained sources of smoke and have the problem remedied at once.

## Local Cancer Society Accepting Holiday Help

The Greater Springfield Unit of the American Cancer Society invites community participation in its 1990 "In Lieu of Holiday Greetings" project, according to Gary Fialky, chairman of the event.

Fialky explains that instead of sending individual holiday greetings to friends, family, and associates, a donation may be made to the American Cancer Society giving added meaning to the custom by making donors a part of the ongoing fight against cancer.

The names of contributors will be published in the *Springfield Union* newspaper on Saturday, December 15th, along with a special holiday greeting.

"Last year we received \$5,000 in contributions to the 'In Lieu of Holiday Greetings' event," Fialky says.

"This year we hope to raise \$6,000 to continue our support of the American Cancer Society's patient services programs in the Greater Springfield area. Among the services offered here," states Fialky, "is the Road to Recovery transportation program to treatment for cancer patients. Another program is the Reach to Recovery program for breast surgery patients. Both programs are part of The American Cancer Society Volunteer services to cancer patients in our community."

For further information, contact the American Cancer Society, 383 Dwight Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040, 536-2255.

## Monthly Stroke Support At Mercy Hospital

The Weldon Center for Rehabilitation at Mercy Hospital will be sponsoring its monthly stroke support group on Monday, December 17th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the O'Hara Room, located in the Joseph J. Deliso Conference Center, Physician's Office Center, 299 Carew Street, Springfield.

The speaker this month will be Gail Noe of Springfield Senior Services discussing "Health Insurance Options—What Are Your Rights?"

A holiday party will follow the discussion.

All individuals who have had a stroke and their family members are invited to attend. The group is opened to the public as a community service and there is no charge.

For further information, please contact Mollie Braverman, LICSW, at the Weldon Center, 737-8153, extension 6346.

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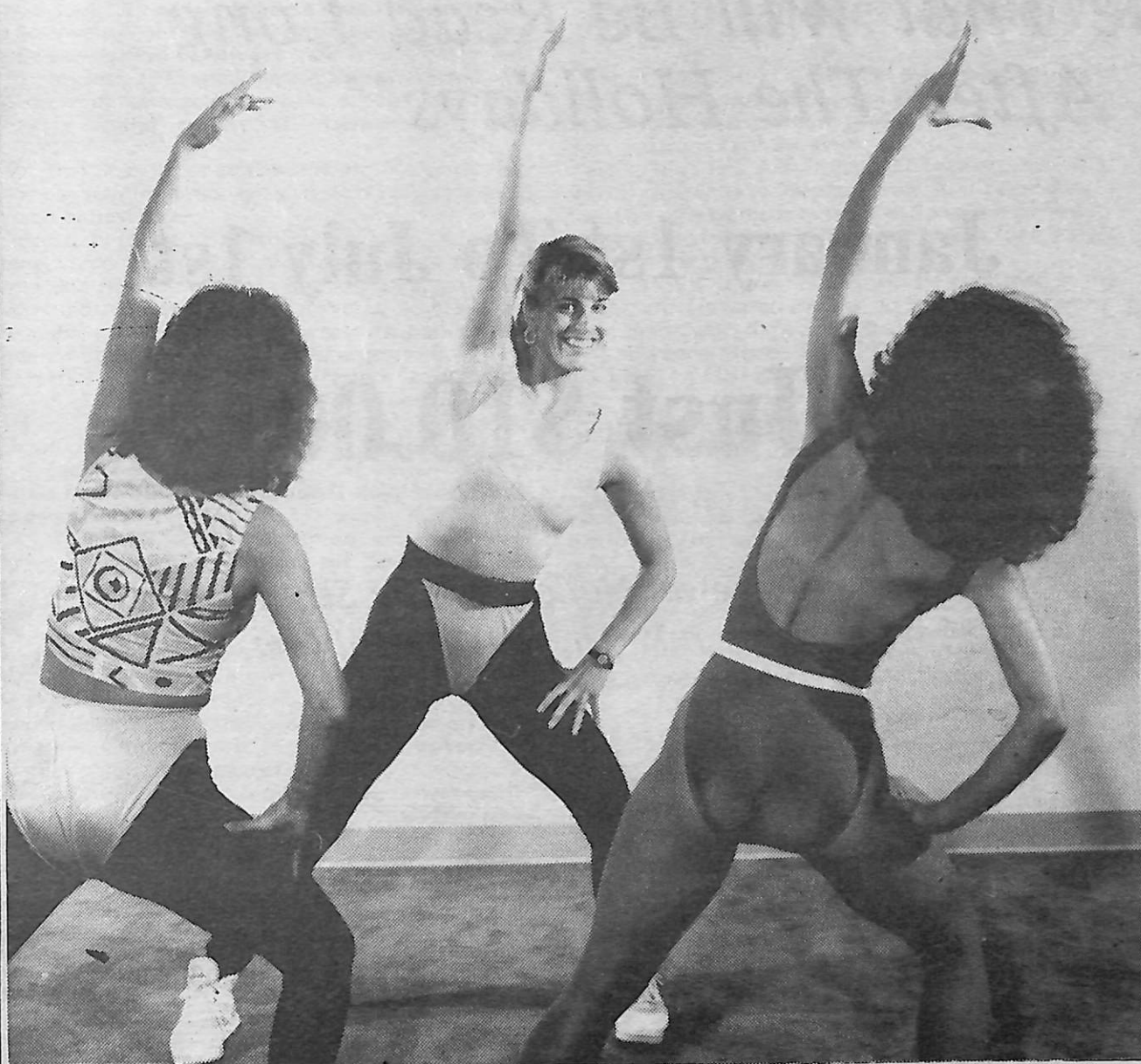
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## Arts

### Gala New Year's Eve Planned In Agawam...

continued from Page 1...

A little further down the street at the **Agawam Congregational Church**, magician Joe Bonjio will be delighting audiences with his trickery. In the sanctuary, the New England Brass Quartet will be playing special selections.

The old **Center Library** will be hosting organist Mike Kisielewski, and across the street at the **Agawam First Baptist Church**, the Agawam Repertory Theater will be performing one-act plays.

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Mrs. Deliso states that there will be double performances of most of the events to give residents a chance to see as much as possible. For a very reasonable price, partygoers will purchase special badges that will admit them to all the festivities.

Mrs. Deliso also noted that all performances will end roughly at 11:40 p.m. to give residents a chance to walk over to the Phelps Green (where a very special surprise awaits as the New Year approaches).

The price for badges is \$3 per person, \$5 for couples, and \$1 for children. Badges can be purchased Mondays and Tuesdays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Agawam branch of Westfield Savings Bank, and from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Fridays at the Agawam Food Mart.

Ames Department Store on Springfield Street will also be selling badges, and they will be available at the Town Council meeting on December 17th and at the Town Hall during business hours starting December 17th. Residents may also purchase badges on New Year's Eve at the old Center Library.

Please join the celebration and start a new annual holiday tradition.

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**THE GERWICK PUPPETS** will be one of the featured attractions during a grand New Year's Eve bash planned by the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council. Puppet masters are Deborah Costine and Lenny Gerwick.

### Ag. Repetory Theatre Elects Officers

Agawam Repertory Theatre (A.R.T.) recently held its Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for 1991.

The Board of Directors includes Arnold Woods, president; Valerie Feinstein, vice-president; Laura Lezon-Scantlen, treasurer; Sheryl Stanzak, secretary; Sonie Radosh, Reading Committee; Lorna Bisson, Casting Committee; Lorraine Woods, Nominating Committee; and Cil Long, Public Relations Committee.

A.R.T. is a non-profit community theater group holding three or four productions per year in the Moses Theater in West Springfield. Membership is open to anyone interested in theater involvement. Agawam Repertory Theatre is a member of the Community Theatre Association (CTA), which consists of Western Massachusetts community theater groups.



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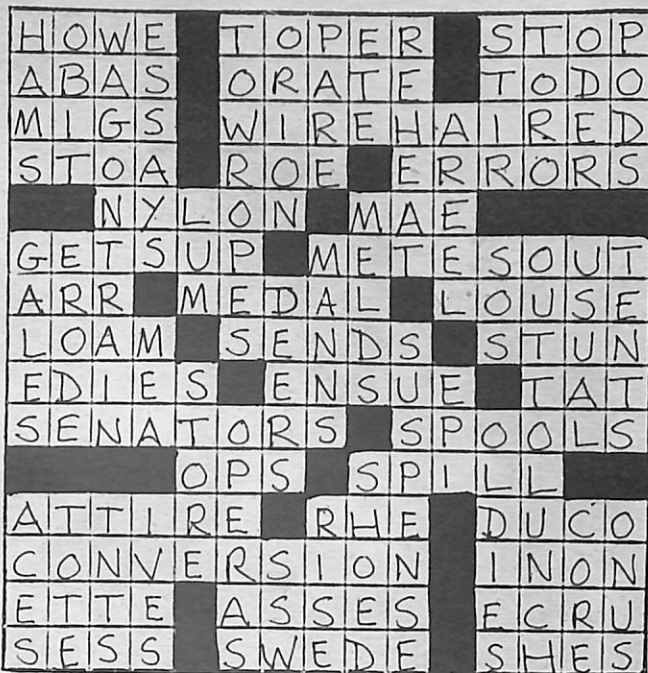
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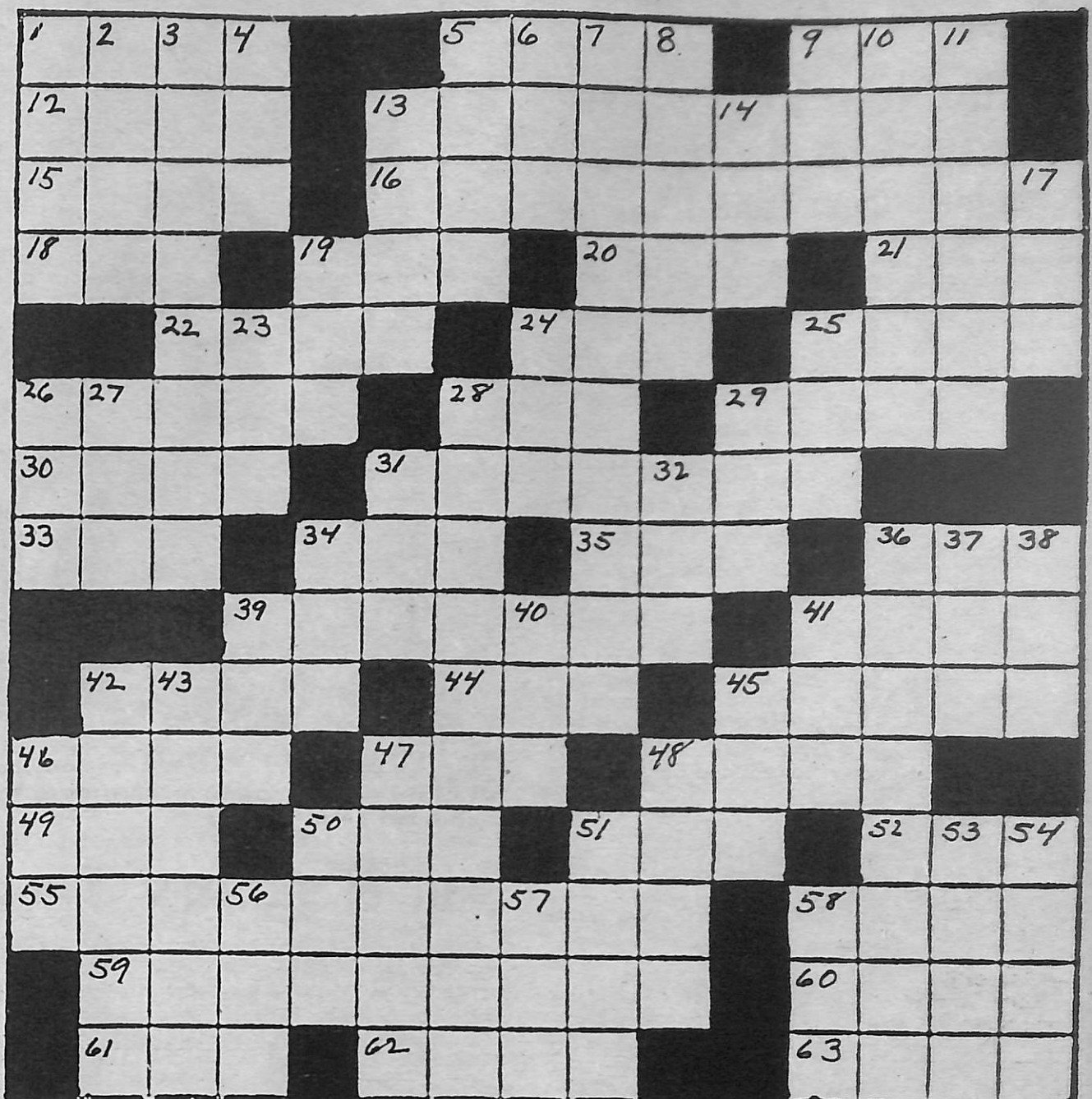
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47 Hangs around  
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54 Rip  
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## MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



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# This Week At THE MOVIES

by Christine Piesyk  
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## —The Rookie

Charlie Sheen is *The Rookie*, a by-the-book cop named David Ackerman who looks more like a reprise of *Wall Street* than a tougher-than-nails, streetfighting cop like his new partner, Nick Pulovski (Clint Eastwood). But appearances can be deceiving.

Pulovski, you see, has lost his partner in a shootout with a ring of high-priced cars thieves who have no qualms about backing up a trailer into an alley and filling it with Porches, BMW's and Mercedes'. The bad guys work for a villainous thug named Strom (Raul Julia) and his lethal partner Leisel (Sonia Braga).

Eastwood's out to break this chop-shop and put an end to its multi-million dollar annual profit at the expense of hardworking execs and insurance companies.

He's mad because they killed his partner, and he's even madder because his new partner in anti-crime is still "wet behind the ears."

A little Eastwood style on-the-job training is a sure cure for traditional thinking, and when Eastwood gets cop-napped by the bad guys, it's the Rookie to the rescue.

While Sheen gets progressively more disheveled, beaten and bruised, Eastwood remains calmly sarcastic, calculating and tied to a chair in a chop-shop warehouse filled with high-tech toys, computers, VCR's and video screens.

*The Rookie* contains bulk violence, a not too subtle (downright blatant) seduction scene with Braga dominating Eastwood on screen, and language that didn't make my day.

But underneath this stereotypical Eastwood cop slop was a sense of humor and continuity that did get a few laughs in between the beatings and the killings. And the stunt driving was—of course—tremendous.

*The Rookie* is kind of good, if you like that kind of Eastwood. But send the kids to see something—anything else. Please.

## —Misery

Kathy Bates (the actress) is akin to the fictional Norman Bates (the killer) of Hitchcock (*Psycho*) fame as

she creates the macabre personality of Annie Wilkes, the latest and most horrifying of Steven King's characters in *Misery*.

The book is better (they usually are), but this film as directed by Rob Reiner runs a close second. Annie Bates is a psychotic, compulsive woman—a nurse by profession—with a questionable past; she's an avid reader and "the No. 1 fan" of author Paul Sheldon (as played by James Caan), creator of a romance-novel heroine named Misery.

When Paul's car crashes over a mountainside in a blinding snowstorm, the ever vigilant and almost voyeuristic Annie rescues him and takes him home to keep; hidden away in a country farmhouse, locked-in behind closed doors.

Not that Sheldon could have run away; both legs were shattered, his arm broken, his entire body bruised.

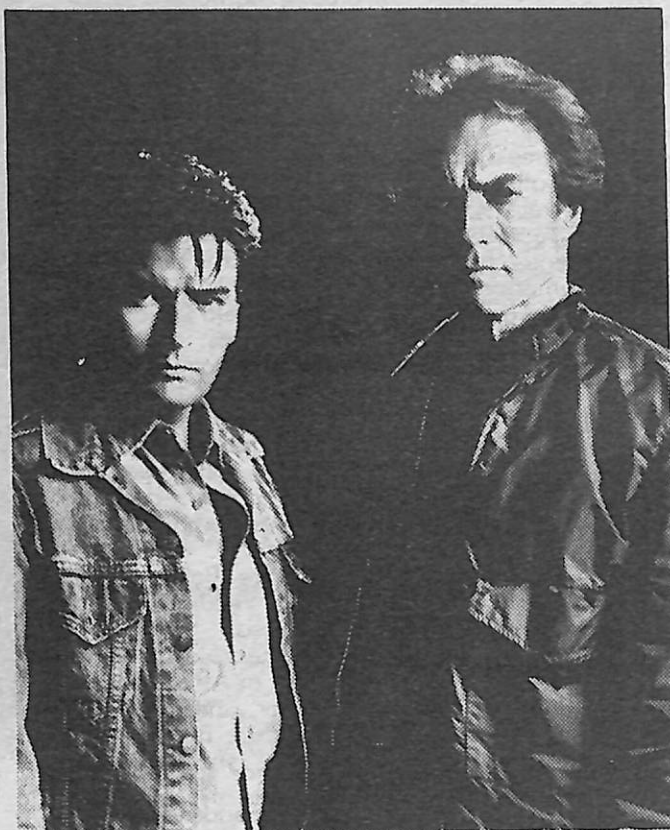
Reiner escalates the tension slowly, giving the viewer bits and pieces of this insanity much the way the master of the macabre, Alfred Hitchcock, used to do. Only Hitchcock, however, worked primarily in black and white.

As Sheldon regains his physical strength and keens his sense of survival, Annie sinks further into insanity as she forces the writer to resurrect the heroine he had finally allowed to die in the umpteenth *Misery* novel. All this to keep his captor happy and himself alive to tell the tale.

There's surprisingly little violence until the final climatic scenes, and that subtlety makes the grand finale even better.

Richard Farnsworth has a fine supporting role as the mountain sheriff in search of a missing celebrity, and Lauren Bacall has a bit part as Sheldon's concerned agent who first reports him missing.

*Misery* the movie lacks the power of *Misery* the book, and that's in part because James Caan seems to be having too much fun making this movie. While Bates is frighteningly real as his keeper, Caan falls a bit short of believable as her captive. And therein lies the difference between a pretty good tale of terror...and a great one.



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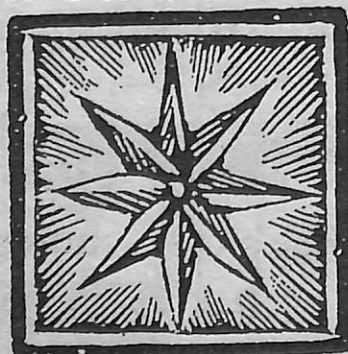
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## Agawam Children Performing With Berkshire Ballet

Millions of children from around the world are counting the days left until Christmas. But for 13 boys and girls from Feeding Hills and Agawam, preparations for Christmas began nearly four months ago.

Nearly 100 children from 17 Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut cities and towns have been rehearsing weekly since Labor Day to perform with the Berkshire Ballet in its annual holiday production of "The Nutcracker," which will be held this year on Saturday, December 22nd, with a matinee at 3:00 p.m. and an evening performance at 7:30 p.m., both at Springfield Symphony Hall.

Tickets are available at the Springfield Civic Center box office and at all Ticketron locations.

The ballet, scored by Tchaikovsky, has become as much a holiday tradition as mistletoe and Christmas stockings.

To stage "The Nutcracker" requires months of preparation. Because it is essentially a children's fantasy, it requires the talent and dedication of dozens of local children, boys as well as girls, to complement the professional "corps de ballet."

This year, according to Berkshire Ballet Artistic Director Madeline Cantarella Culp, Feeding Hills and Agawam will be very well represented.

The local girls and boys have rehearsed for several hours every Sunday since September at American International College's Griswold Theater, under the direction of Nancy Pierce of the Berkshire Ballet in Pittsfield. "The children are wonderful," she said. "They make this worthwhile for us all."

Tickets are \$5 to \$16 for children under 12, \$10 to \$18 for adults, and \$8 to \$16 for senior citizens. For information on group discounts, call The Center box office, 787-6600. MasterCard and Visa charges may be made by calling Ticketron, 1-800-382-8080.

**Michelle O'Connor**, 11, of 104 Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, will play the part of Clara. Michelle, daughter of Thomas & Patricia O'Connor, is a sixth-grader at Agawam Middle School and an eighth-year student at Dance Arts in Westfield.

**Jared Chianciola**, 12, of 96 Elmar Drive, Feeding Hills, will return for a second year as Fritz. Jared, son of Joseph & Susan Chianciola, is also in the sixth grade at Agawam Middle School.

His brother, **Brady**, 8, a second-grader at Montessori Children's House in West Springfield, will play the part of a child at the Christmas party, as will **Kevin McKay**, 11, son of Donna & Edward McKay of 45 Morningside Circle, Feeding Hills, a fifth-grader at Agawam Middle School, and **Stephen Virella**, 12, son of Marlene & Bob Virella of Marlene Drive, Feeding Hills, a sixth-grader at Agawam Middle School.

**Michael Eggleston**, 6, son of Debora & Kenneth Eggleston of 43 Clematis Road, Agawam, will appear as



**CHILDREN FROM TOWN** participating in the Berkshire Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" include, from left - **Jared Chianciola**, **Michelle O'Connor**, **Kevin McKay**, **Brady Chianciola**, and **Stephen Virella**.

a reindeer. Michael is a kindergarten student at Phelps School.

His sister, **Amy**, 10, a fifth-grader at Agawam Middle School, will dance the part of a fighting mouse. Amy is an eighth-year student at Mary Ann School of Dance, Agawam.

Also appearing as a mouse will be **Terri Polumbo**, 16, daughter of Phyllis & Angelo Polumbo of 460 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, a junior at Agawam High School and 12th-year student at New England Dance Conservatory, East Longmeadow.

**Tara Witte**, 6, daughter of Lynda & Dale Witte of 418 Meadow Street, Agawam, will play the part of a clown. A first-grader at Phelps School, she is a fourth-year student at Cindy's School of Dance in Springfield.

Four girls will portray angels: **Bridget Mahoney**, 8, daughter of James P. & M. Rosalie Mahoney of 71 Ridgeview Drive, Feeding Hills, a third-grader at Robinson Park School and fourth-year student at Dance Arts, Westfield; **Kristen Parker**, 9, daughter of Linda A. & Robert J. Parker of 118 Hendom Drive, Feeding Hills, a fourth-grader at Granger School and a fourth-year student at the Academy of Artistic Performance in Feeding Hills; **Leila Mounemneh**, 9, daughter of Gus & Kathleen Mounemneh of 81 Independence Road, Feeding Hills, a fourth-grader at Granger School and fifth-year student at Dance Arts, and **Andrea L. Cizek**, 9, daughter of Jeanne L. & Kenneth R. Cizek of 33 Tracy Drive, Agawam, a fourth-grader at Phelps School and fourth-year student at Dance Arts.

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## Richard Femmel Of Feeding Hills Report On China...

### China's Fashion Industry Is Amazingly Advanced

Relatively speaking, China's fashion industry is amazingly advanced for the point in history that it is at present.

China's textiles have a long and rich history that is an important part of their culture.

Dating back thousands of years, the Silk Road developed as a trade route to export their beautiful textiles to the rest of the world.

During the early 1900's, Shanghai was known as the "Paris of the East" because it was so fashionable. Although it was mainly the foreigners that were promoting the styles, it was definitely a hot spot for glamour and fashion.

Things changed drastically after 1949 when China came under Communist rule. Not only was fashion not a priority, but during the Cultural Revolution (1966-1976), the entire nation was forced to wear the same national uniform. This "non-fashion" law was strictly enforced and made sure that everyone looked the same from bottom (width of pants legs) to top (standardized haircuts for men and women). People were literally stripped of all right to personal expres-

sion through dress.

One suit could be purchased every nine years and the only fashion choice involved was whether to buy the uniform in olive green, navy blue, or gray, with or without the matching hat. If these colors didn't fall into their "color-me-beautiful" seasonal color palette, it was too bad.

During these decades, thousands of years of culture and style in dress were erased from their memories and imaginations. Now China has only opened to the West since 1978 and the people have only begun to wear Western clothing since about 1980.

Even in 1990 many people can be seen all over China wearing the same old uniform because Western clothing is still a relatively new concept to them.

Today, when one looks around at all the people exercising their freedom of choice and trying to express their identities through the multitude of styles and colors, it is impossible to criticize them about their taste. I actually marvel at how good they really look.

Is it really any wonder that they go crazy over a shiny

piece of polyester loaded with sequins after so many years with no visual stimulation at all?

Or could they be expected to know that a necktie with a panda on it is tacky when they are just becoming accustomed to wearing a necktie in the first place?

It is fascinating to observe their process of experimentation with clothing and how they get their ideas through television, magazines, books, and "tourist watching" (because they still are not permitted to leave the country).

No matter how far behind in fashion they may be today, as China slowly emerges from behind the great wall that still shields them from so much of the rest of the world and comes into closer contact with the West, we will all be able to appreciate what beauty they have to offer and how advanced they really are.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** These previous three weeks regarding "Fashion In China" were prepared with assistance from Ms. Dina Fessler, a fashion design teacher with Richard Femmel at China Textile University.

**NEXT WEEK - WORKING IN CHINA**

### Art Exhibit Of Joseph Zaporta At Agawam Public Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce an exhibit of the work of Joseph A. Zaporta of Feeding Hills. The exhibit will run during the month of December in the gallery of the Agawam Public Library.

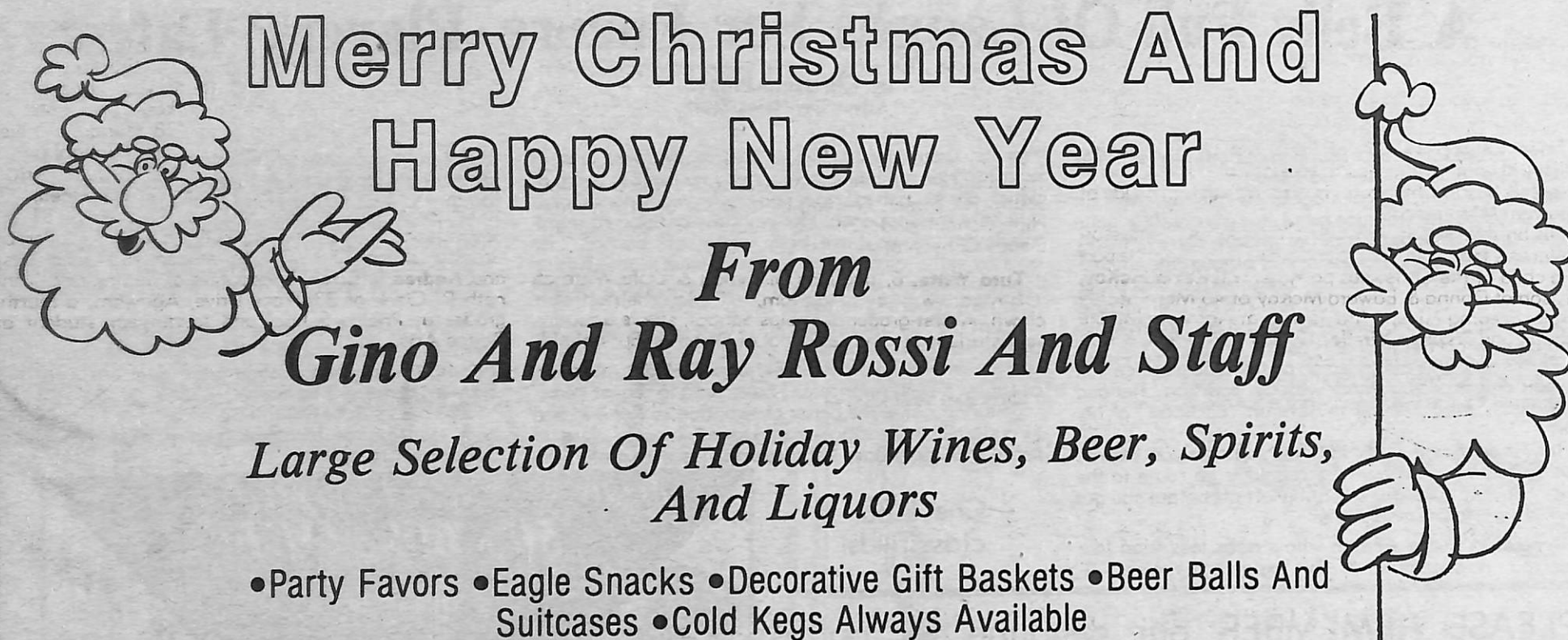
Zaporta was born in Guayaquil, Ecuador, South America. His family came to New York City in 1966 when he was six years-old. He moved to Massachusetts in 1975 and has been living in Feeding Hills for the past five years.

He attended the New York City Art Institute where he majored in illustration and portrait painting in oils. He has also attended the University of Massachusetts, and Holyoke Community College where he majored in art history and commercial illustration.

His first show was September 3rd, 1978 at the Herbert Stein Gallery in New York City. In 1979 he showed his artwork at the Central Park Art Exhibition. In 1980 his work was at the Northampton State Fair.

Zaporta developed his own technique of painting in oils working from his own photographs. He specializes in ink drawings, landscape, and portrait paintings. He has also been commissioned to paint portraits on request. He is self-employed as a carpenter/craftsman remodeling and building homes.

The exhibit may be viewed during regular library hours, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



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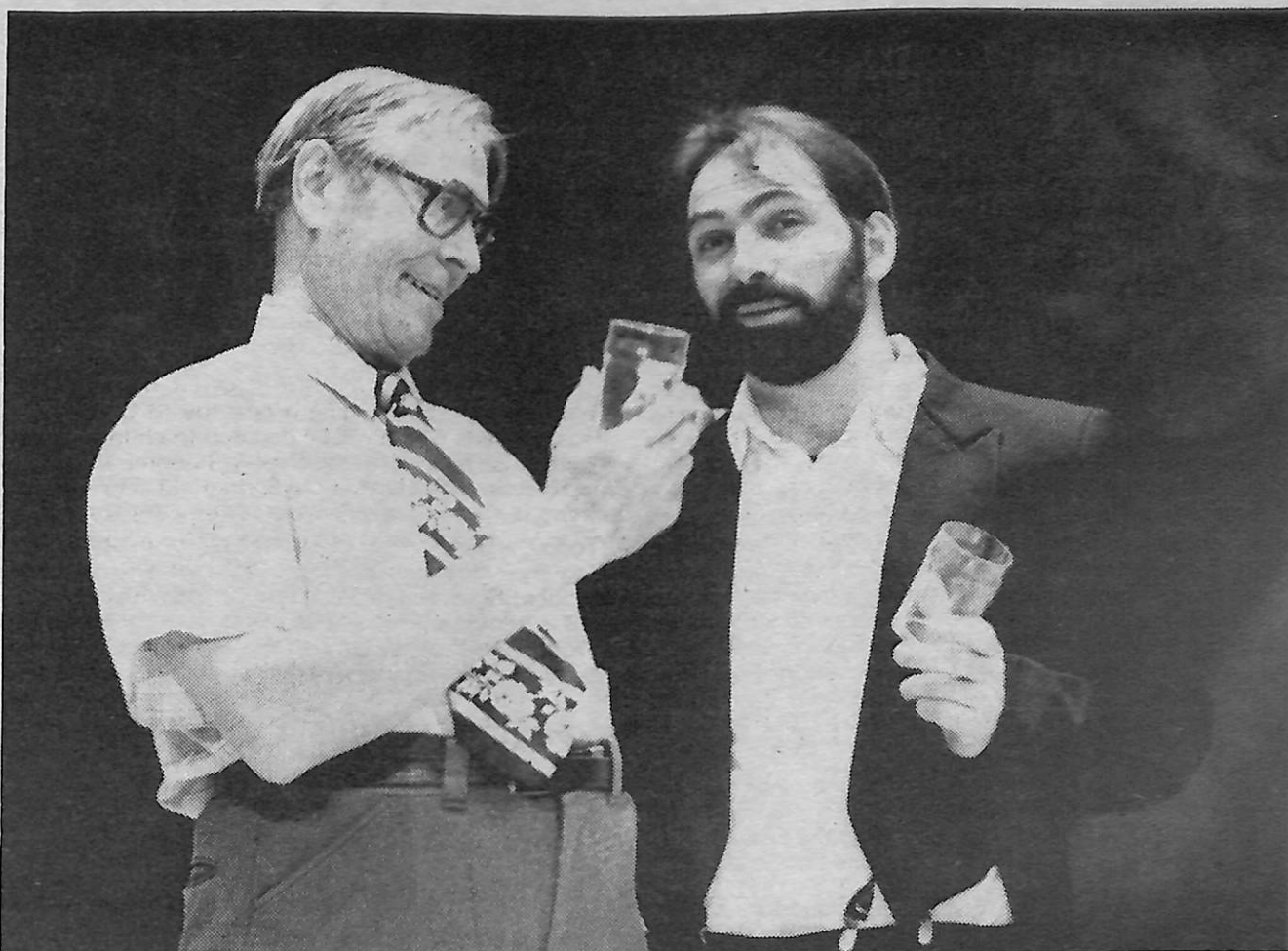
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KATHY RENAUD as Cassidy in the Encore Players' "The Lucky Spot."



BRUCE HARVEY and STEVEN HENDERSON exchange pleasantries during the Encore Players' production of "The Lucky Spot."

## A Belly Full Of Laughs For Encore Players' Latest

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

The Encore Players' production of Beth Henley's *The Lucky Spot* is Kathy Renaud's show.

It's hardly your typical stageful of holiday cheer (at least as far as the storyline goes), but it's good for quite a few belly laughs—many of which come directly following Renaud's expressions, dialogue and distinctive waddle (her character's "pregnant" in this play).

The Lucky Spot is a 1935 taxi-dance hall in rural Louisiana; bayou country, where clubs like this one can be won on the turn of a card.

That's how Steve Henderson came to be a dance hall owner; only his club came with an addition...Renaud as Cassidy, who's about to have an "addition" of her own.

It's Christmas eve, and Henderson's ex-con ex-wife Sue Jack (played by Sheryl Stanzak) is en route to the Lucky Spot to take up where she left off before she got locked up—for manslaughter.

Renaud, a petite woman who stands less than five feet tall, is blooming as the expectant mother, il-

literate, unemployed, in like (not really love), and in waiting. Her red hair is scrunched into pigtails, both of which are squashed under an ugly brown fedora that is woefully misshapened. Her eclectic wardrobe of hand-me-downs would have been better off burned. Her equally ugly, dirty yellow, lace-up work boots (which look just like my ugly, dirty, lace-up yellow work boots) lend new meaning to the term "s---kicker."

From the first glimpse of her fringe of red bangs and the sound of her almost grating, whining voice, she has her viewers in the palm of her hand. She is truly funny; as funny a performance as I have seen in recent years.

The first act is the better of two, due to Renaud and to a slam-bang ending; an on-stage intensely physical brawl that must have left these players with more than

one bump or bruise in the rehearsing. It's the kind of pratfall physical comedy rarely attempted in local productions. And this cast makes it work wonderfully.

Act Two includes three scenes and a superb supporting performance by Bruce Harvey as the Lucky Spot's only patron. It's a Jerry Lewis reprise of angular motions and buck teeth, and it will make you laugh till you cry.

*The Lucky Spot* does contain a bit of rougher language, and is not your typical Christmas play. But it is surprisingly hilarious, in great part because these players perform it so well.

*The Lucky Spot* will run December 14th-15th at 8:00 p.m. and on the 16th at 2:00 p.m. at the MacDuffie School in Springfield.

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## Spfld. Symphony Presents Holiday Concert

Maestro Raymond Harvey will conduct the Springfield Symphony Orchestra and the Mount Holyoke Children's Choir in a program packed with favorite Chanukah and Christmas music for the annual Holiday Pops concerts on Saturday, December 15th, at 8:00 p.m., and Sunday, December 16th, at 3:00 p.m., in Symphony Hall. The whole family will enjoy singing along with the orchestra for classics like *Jingle Bells*, *Joy to the World*, *Rock of Ages*, *Silent Night* and more! Concert-goers are invited to help brighten a child's holiday by bringing a new toy to the performance, which will be donated to local organizations in time for Christmas. This program is sponsored by Bank of Boston.

The SSO will perform a veritable feast of holiday chestnuts like *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*, *Good King Wenceslas*, *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*, *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer* and *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. The nearly 100 voices of the Mt. Holyoke Children's Choir will sing a joyful presentation of Chanukah songs including *Who Can Retell?* and *Spin, Dreidel, Spin*, as well as more Christmas favorites. A special visitor from the North Pole will come to add to the merriment, and all will be invited to join a grand finale Christmas Carol Sing-Along.

Now in its fourth season, the Mount Holyoke Children's Choir numbers 85 boys and girls, led by

founder and director Catharine Melhorn, who is professor of music and choral director at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley. Last season the Choir joined the Springfield Symphony Orchestra and Chorus for a Great Performers program featuring Vaughan Williams' *Hodie (This Day)*. Coming up later this year, the Choir will perform in Amherst's Jones Library Music Series in March and in Springfield's Porter Lake Concert Series in April, among many other engagements.

Audience members are encouraged to help share the holiday magic by bringing a new toy to the Holiday Pops concerts which will be donated to children at the Willie Ross School for the Deaf in Longmeadow, and the Children's Study Home in Springfield. The SSO will make sure all toys are delivered in time for Christmas!

Tickets for Holiday Pops are priced from \$5-\$28, and on sale now at the Symphony Box Office on the mezzanine level of Baystate West. For information or to charge by phone, call (413) 733-2291. Senior, student and group discounts are available. There is still time to purchase Symphony Gift Certificates for staff, family, and friends!

These concerts are funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and the Business Friends of the Arts.

Agawam Poet...

## The Bells Of Christmas

by Agnes R. Neylon Smith

*Thomas Moore writes of "The Evening Bells,"  
And the beautiful stories their music tells;  
My favorite bells are the Christmas Bells,  
And the myriad stories their magic dispels;*

*The first bells ring out on Christmas Day,  
Announcing the birth of the Babe in the hay;  
Exalting, they herald the New-born King,  
And the bells of the carolling angels, ring;*

*Joyously peeling from a snow-glistening steeple,  
The little white chapel is soon filled with people;  
The bells tell the shepherds, who first saw the light,  
Of the glorious star in the heavens that night;*

*They followed the star, for the Scriptures foretold,  
Of a Babe to be born in a stable, so cold;  
The pride of their flock, they took to the Child,  
Born of a virgin, so tender and mild;*

*The lamb snuggled close to the Babe, where He lay,  
And kept Him warm through the night and day;  
Mary's sweet lullaby, and the bells on the sheep,  
In the hush of the eve, lulled the Baby to sleep;*

*The dear little donkey, by the cradle, is sleeping,  
Anxiously and faithfully, with the Babe in his keeping;  
He carried Mary such a very long way,  
For the birthing of Jesus, on that First Christmas Day;*

*He didn't have bells, just sweet gentle brays,  
From deep in his heart, with honor and praise;  
The lowing cattle, and the sheep's soft cry,  
Resounding in love, o'er the new-morning sky;*

*Welcomed the wisemen, who came from afar,  
By the midnight sky, illumed by the star;  
That guided them on this First Christmas Morn,  
To the little lone stable, where Jesus was born;*

*They brought precious gems, and treasures of gold,  
And placed them by the crib, for the Babe to behold;  
In the distance, the chapel in the vale, echoes singing,  
And the bells in the steeple, are joyously ringing;*

*All the bells of the world, and angels, on high,  
Rejoice and exalt in a bright Christmas sky;  
Oh Christmas Bells, ring proudly this morn,  
For The Son of God, our Savior, is born.*

## Communications Scholarship Offered

The Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts will again offer a scholarship to a Western Massachusetts high school senior or college freshman who intends to pursue or is currently pursuing a post-secondary education in a communications field.

According to the scholarship committee chairman Charles Bennett, publisher of the *Jewish Weekly News*, the award will be given on the basis of academic achievement, community and social involvement and a demonstrated interest in communications. The scholarship will be in the \$1,000 range.

"The Ad Club Board of Directors approved the annual project as a way for the club to help the community and, at the same time, further our goals to ensure the future of the marketing-communications profession by

assisting a promising student," said Bennett.

Application forms have been sent to area high school and college guidance departments.

Deadline for submission is February 10th. Applications may also be obtained by contacting Mr. Bennett at the *Jewish Weekly News*, 99 Mill Street, P.O. Box 1569, Springfield, MA, 01101, (413) 739-4771.

In addition to Bennett, members of the Ad Club Scholarship Committee are: Noreen Tassinari, director of Marketing, Eastern States Exposition, Barbara Gemme, administrative assistant to the Chairman, Milton Bradley Company, and Lorraine Kowal, purchasing agent, Walter Whittum Company and Ad Club treasurer.

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## Education

### Bruno & PTO Chiefs Discuss Fire Codes For Classrooms

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

The Superintendent's PTO Council met to discuss several topics, including the controversial fire codes for school buildings, last Tuesday, December 4th.

Agawam Junior High PTSG President **Sue Pettazzoni**, Phelps PTO President **Doris Donovan**, Granger PTO President **Lynn Modzelesky**, Robinson PTO President **Kathy Kida**, Clark PTO President **Joan Bitgood**, and **Iris Copson**, representing Agawam High and Middle Schools, talked with Superintendent James Bruno and Associate Superintendent Donald Charest for approximately 90 minutes (in an on-going effort to enhance open communication between parents and school administrators).

Bruno told PTO representatives, "Classroom maps for each elementary school room designating where things can be put on wallspace would soon be distributed." He added, "The (fire code) manuals should be distributed before the holidays. The 20 percent wallspace (restriction for flammable materials) will be divided, provided their (teachers') entire room still meets the code."

Bruno said the Fire Chief Russell Jenks and Fire Inspector Frank Calabrese were prepared to come to schools "to talk to any of the teachers who may still have questions." He noted, "The Fire Department has been very, very cooperative. I think some good is going to come of it."

Proceeds from Mayor Christopher Johnson's Second Annual Golf Tournament will be used to build glass enclosed bulletin boards in hallways between every two or three classes at the elementary schools until the funds are depleted, according to Bruno.

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Bruno questioned the council regarding the school uniform issue presented by School Committee member Linda Galarneau earlier this year. Each member of the council felt that "each family would probably have a different opinion," but the consensus was that it "was not a burning issue" because it has not been readily discussed during any school meetings in Agawam. When the issue had been raised, the feeling was that most people would "probably be against it."

Mrs. Pettazzoni related that "many parents (at the Junior High) have expressed concern over the detracking proposal for social studies (grades nine through 12) next year. She asked why the change was necessary during relocation of this particular (1994) graduating class.

She said, "They were the first fifth grade class at Middle School during redistribution then, and now again for ninth at the high school."

Bruno said, "National evidence, the Massachusetts Commissioner of Education, and the State Board of Education have pushed this for some time. We would be talking about 'grouping' of students and cooperative learning.

"We have already sent a number of teachers to conferences and seminars, as well as planned in-service days. The willingness of the social studies teachers to pilot this idea is a plus. It is a long process, and it involves a different style of teaching. But everyone profits (from the detracking)."

Bruno added, "Most classes at AHS are heterogenous grouping anyway. We are trying to upgrade the standards at AHS and the Junior High during this transition period."



**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS JAMES V. BRUNO** and Associate Superintendent **Donald Charest** met with PTO presidents to discuss the controversial fire code issue in school buildings, as well as other topics. Back row, from left - Sue Pettazzoni, Junior High; Bruno; Kathie Kida, Robinson; Charest; and Joan Bitgood, Clark. Front row - Doris Donovan, Phelps; Lynn Modzelesky, Granger; and Iris Copson, representing Agawam High and Middle School.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Charest told the PTO Council, "We will be building a level funded budget (for 1991-92) with the exception of wage increases which are contracted under salaries. The budget may, in fact, go up five or six percent; but that will all be salaries."

Charest added, "We are ending our fifth year of a five-year contract with Ryder (Student Transportation). We are now enjoying the least expensive contracts anywhere around."

A three-year contract for Special Education transportation with Terrien Transportation Company of Agawam will also expire with Ryder's pact in the summer of 1991, noted Charest.

Charest also explained that gasoline costs for the schools increased by \$35,000 after the crisis in the Persian Gulf developed in August. He said, "We will have to absorb these amounts somewhere in the budget."

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Bruno concluded the meeting by briefly explaining, "We are totally in favor of two or three levels for boys' and girls' sports. It was proposed two-and-a-half weeks ago, during preseason, to start a girls' freshman basketball team (by School Committee member Teresa Kozloski)."

He showed the council numbers supporting three levels of boys' teams: 33 boys in grades 10-12 and 20 boys in grades eight and nine. The total of 22 girls (eight being ninth graders), left only 14 girls for a junior varsity team. Bruno said, "So that level would have to be eliminated."

Mrs. Modzelesky said, "The suburban leagues are changing birth dates to help enlist more eighth and ninth grade signups. Maybe the schools could look at that, too."

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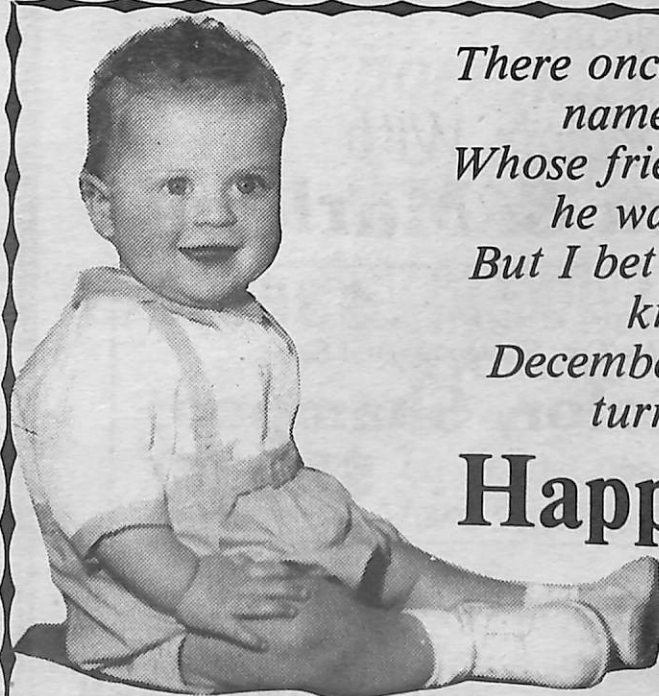
The Robinson Park PTO will hold a "Gift Wrap Boutique" for Monday, December 17th at the school.

Wrapping of small gifts will cost \$1 and larger gifts will cost \$2. The boutique is scheduled between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m.

The PTO has also slated a second boutique for Thursday, December 20th, at the Polish American Club on Southwick Street, between 7:00 and 10:00 p.m.

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## "Coping With Loss" Again Present To Ag. High Students

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"Coping with Loss" is the course which was exclusively designed and is taught by Lila Forastiere who is an experienced teacher, grief counselor, and well-known guest lecturer.

The course is divided into five segments: historical perspective of grieving in our society; funeral etiquette; consumer awareness; the emotions of grief; and coping strategies useful during mourning. Each day is devoted to one of the topics.

During the "historical perspective" segment, students learn how societal changes have influenced the grieving process and, thus, funeral practices and customs. Back in the early 1900's, illness and death usually occurred in the home where the loved one was surrounded by a multi-generational family. The "undertaker" came to the home and showed the family a book from which the casket choice was made. The embalming and preparation were performed in the home (usually upon the bed where the patient had died), the wake was held in the front parlour of the home, and the funeral took place in the home—the entire family was involved from the youngest to the oldest.

Another interesting factor of those years is the fact that death of a young person was a more accepted occurrence, as 53 percent of the population died before the age of 15. Death was viewed more readily as a PART of life, as virtually every family had experienced the death of a loved one. People understood each other's grief.

Today, we are indeed fortunate that the statistic has dropped to 3-5 percent of our children under 15 who die. However, this has influenced the grief process of the surviving families. When a death occurs, many family members and friends are perceived as being unsupportive and indifferent...they don't seem to understand. And they really CAN'T, if they haven't experienced a similar loss. This is one reason why support groups and counseling are so important and necessary in today's society. Grieving people need to feel accepted and understood, or they tend to feel alone, isolated and/or mentally imbalanced. They need to be with others who are walking the same path.

The first day of the mini-course (the historical perspective), and the second day (funeral etiquette) laid the groundwork to prepare the students for the two-hour tour of the Colonial Funeral Home which was conducted on Wednesday, November 28th.

By the end of the course, Forastiere hoped that the students will be more understanding of themselves and of others when a death does occur and that they will be more aware of the values of funeral practice.

This high school program is just one of the "Caring Programs" offered free of charge to the community by the Colonial Funeral Home.



PETER FORASTIERE, funeral director for Colonial Funeral Home on Main Street, Agawam, shows Agawam High psychology students several coffins during a recent tour of the facility. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM HIGH PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS GATHER outside of Colonial Funeral Home on Main Street before embarking on a tour of the facility with Funeral Director Peter Forastiere. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Longhi Receives Safety Award From Triple A



AGAWAM POLICE SERGEANT AL LONGHI, the town's Safety Officer, is the first safety officer to receive the Triple A's "Pedestrian Safety Service Award" in recognition of concern for and support of pedestrian safety. Longhi continues to have a positive influence in the community, and encourages involvement in safety issues, particularly younger children. Longhi has been with the APD for 34 years. He is receiving the award from Louise A. Spedero, assistant general manager of Triple A.

## AHS Music Dept. Slates Winter Concert December 19th

The Agawam High School Music Department will present its Annual Winter Concert on Wednesday, December 19th, at 7:30 p.m.

The concert, which will take place in the high school auditorium, will feature the Concert Band and Jazz Band, under the direction of Scott Thomson, and the combined Show Choir and Chorus, under the direction of Stephen Files. The music to be performed will in-

clude traditional literature for these ensembles, as well as holiday favorites.

A donation of \$2 for adults and unaccompanied students will be accepted at the door. Members of the Band Parents Association will also be on hand to sell items such as sweatshirts and the popular Agawam Trivia Game.

## Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

**Monday, December 17th:** Cheese pizza, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled peaches in syrup, milk.

**Tuesday, December 18th:** Oven baked chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, raw carrot curls, honey and mayonnaise, wheat bread and butter, orange blossom cake with icing, milk.

**Wednesday, December 19th:** Steamed frankfort in roll, Boston baked beans, seasoned diced carrots, mustard, relish, ketchup, chilled fruit cup or chocolate pudding with topping, milk.

**Thursday, December 20th:** Meatball grinder with tomato sauce and cheese, seasoned green beans, applesauce, peanut butter cookie, milk.

**Friday, December 21st:** Grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, oven potato puffs, seasoned mixed vegetables, ice cream, milk.

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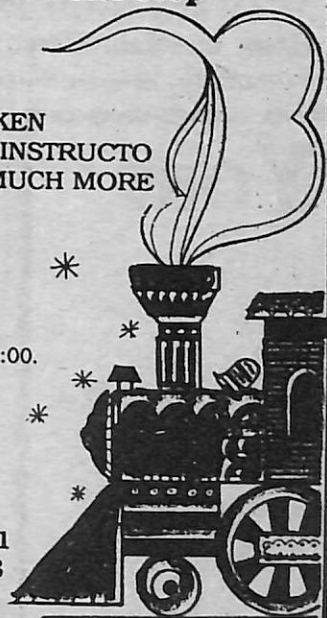
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## Dream Wishes From First Graders For The Christmas Season

James Clark School - Gail Curnow

As Christmas is a time of giving, the first graders were asked to think of a gift they would send—if they could—to our service people in the Middle East. We discussed the location and conditions these people are under during this Holiday Season. The children knew that their "gifts" were "dream wishes," but the following are what they'd like to send.

What we all do send is a Very Merry Christmas to all the service people and their families and to all of you in Agawam.

Merry Christmas from Mrs. Gail Curnow's first grade class at James Clark School.  
**WHAT I'D LIKE TO SEND...**

...lots and lots of story books because there's nothing to do there and they can read them in the morning.

Catherine Sheehan



THE KIDS KORNER CLASS Of Gail Curnow, grade one, James Clark School. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

...a big inground swimming pool so the soldiers can cool off after a long hot day.

Sara Tremblay

...a pad of paper and a pen because they could write a note or a card to their families to wish them a Merry Christmas.

Dolores Cuccovia

...a hundred glasses of water because they might get thirsty and there is not a lot of water in the desert.

Lauren Gagne

...a BIG BIG ice pack to cool off the soldiers when they are hot.

John Lynch

...games like Monopoly, Pirate ship games, and checkers because the soldiers have nothing to do at Christmas and games make us feel happy.

Anthony Leroux

...cookies and milk and a T.V. so they can eat cookies and milk and watch T.V. in the morning before they go to school!

Eliza Dickman

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## More Kids Korner...

### James Clark School Grade 2, Room 6 Beverly Goodwin

Dear Santa,  
Please fill our stockings with good books this Christmas!

Love,  
Grade 2, Room 6  
James Clark School

P.S. Here are some of our favorites!

If you want some great Christmas fun, read... "Christmas with Grandma" by Frank McCannahan. This book has great pictures and characters—especially Grandma! She is really special. She cooks hot chocolate and salt water taffy.

Aaron Gilbert

A great Christmas book is... "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" written by Barbara Shook Hazen. My favorite part of this book is when Santa told Rudolph that he could guide the sleigh. Rudolph was very proud and happy!

Jamie Santos

I enjoyed reading... "The Mouse's Christmas" by Kit Schorsch. This is a fun book and so are the characters. The Grandma in the story has to get a Christmas tree so the children could decorate it.

Daniel Shepard

An exciting December book is... "The Bravest Dog Ever, the true story of Balto" written by Natalie Standiford. I enjoyed this book because it is a true story filled with adventure. Balto saved the town of Nome! His paws almost froze! Balto stopped the sled when there was cracked ice on a frozen river.

Andrew Mutti

A terrific book to put on your December list is... "Christmas Tree" by Stan and Jan Berenstain. This book is funny because the Berenstain bears go on a hunt for a Christmas tree. My favorite part is when an eagle grabs the ax from Father bear!

Andrew Siano

Have some Christmas fun...read... "The Missing Snowman" by Jo Albee. This book is about sad and happy feelings and of course, a snowman. The children in the story dress the snowman up! This story has great pictures and excitement, too.

Allison Callahan

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### CLARK SCHOOL - Grade One - continued...

...truck load of suntan lotion so they won't get sun burnt in the hot sun, but if they did, I send sun cream.

Joshua Joray

...tons of ice cream especially strawberry because I like strawberry ice cream and it is nice and cold and it is hot in the desert.

Stephen Bousquet

...tons of ice cream, hot fudge, nuts, and whipped cream so all the soldiers could cool down eating ice cream sundaes.

Kaitlin Morris

...a big inground swimming pool so they can go swimming when it gets very hot.

Cassandra Greco

...thousands of gallons of strawberry ice cream because it's hot in the desert and they need something cold to eat.

Michael Carmody

...pencil and paper so the service people can write letters to us because they must be lonely. I would write back.

Danny Kennedy

...a HUGE swimming pool because it's hot over there and a pool cools you off. I think the

soldiers would like that.

Stephanie Roy

...a lot of suntan lotion and Chapstick so their skin won't get burnt and their lips won't get chapped. The desert sun is very hot.

Lauren Malone

...a racing bicycle so they can ride around and have fun because the soldiers have nothing to ride on.

Emanier Ortiz Espada

...tons of water, bars of soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste so they can keep themselves clean and happy and healthy.

Kelly Cassidy

...cold cases and cases of cold orange soda because it's very hot and cold soda makes us feel cool and good!

Robbie Solitario

...to be able to let all the soldiers wish everyone a Merry Christmas on a special videotape because it's CHRISTMAS.

Adam D'Amario

...building blocks so the soldiers could build buildings to make bases so they can sleep and eat in comfort.

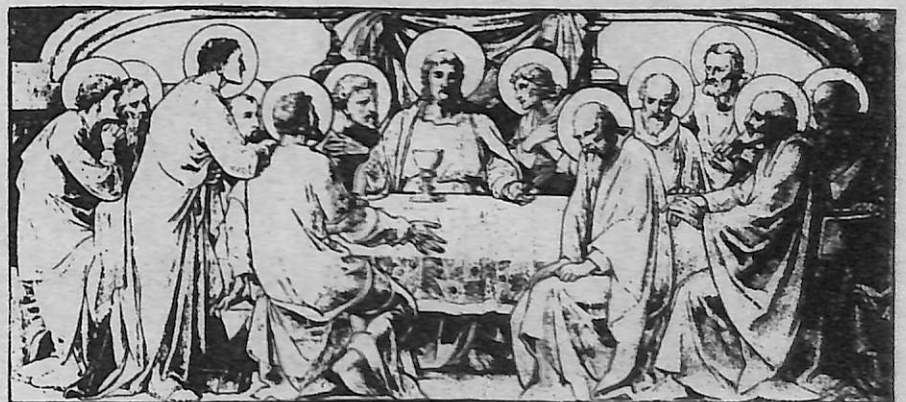
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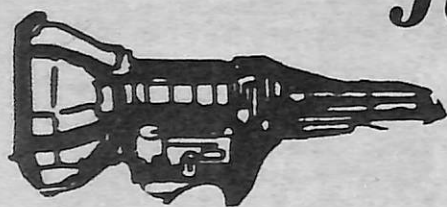
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My favorite Christmas book is... *"Santa's Toy Shop"* written by Walt Disney. I enjoyed it when, at the last house Santa stops at, he plays with the toys that he gave to the children!

**Keegan Clark**

For some Christmas fun, read... *"Merry Christmas Mom and Dad."* The author is Mercer Mayer. The story was about a critter who wanted to set-up things for Christmas. He picked-out a Christmas tree and put the star on the top.

**Colleen Lawlor**

*"The Berenstain Bears Meet Santa Bear"* written by Stan and Jan Berenstain is a great book! This book is about Sister and Brother Bear seeing Santa Bear. Brother makes Sister Bear worried, but everything works out perfectly!

**Jessica Forni**

You will enjoy reading... *"Santa Mouse"* by Michael Brown. I liked reading this book because it was about Santa Claus' helper. It was a mouse! He dressed up like Santa and even climbed the Christmas tree!

**David Williams**

I enjoyed reading... *"The Animals' Christmas Eve"* written by Gale Wiersum. This book makes you feel like you're really in the book when you see the animals in the barn. The pictures are beautiful.

**Michael Finnegan**

A great December book is... *"The Magic Toy Shop"* written by Peter Seymour. The plot is about millions of toys who play all day. The toy soldier falls and breaks. All the toys fix the soldier. In the end the ballerina marries the soldier.

**Luke Cardone**

A fun Christmas story that I enjoyed reading is... *"Santa's Cookie Surprise"* by Janet Craig. In the book, Santa likes cookies so much, that he's probably going to get fat before Christmas!

**Megan Loomis**

*"Winter Fun"* written by Rita Schlachter is about a turtle that kept wanting it to be June. Rabbit and Turtle went on a picnic. Rabbit went sledding on the ice. Turtle found out how much he really liked winter after all!

**Amanda Merola**

My favorite Christmas book is... *"Merry Christmas Amelia Bedelia,"* written by Peggy Parish. I enjoyed reading this book because Amelia Bedelia is a funny character. In this book she makes a date cake. Her date cake had calendar numbers in it! You'll love the way this story turns out.

**Lindsey Jeserski**

December is a wonderful month for books like... *"Charley the Mouse Finds Christmas"* by Wayne Carley. Charley is a very sad and lonely mouse until Santa comes and takes him to the North Pole. You'll just love Charley!

**Laura Bucalo**

If you want some great Christmas fun, read... *"Raggedy Ann and Andy help Santa Claus"* by Polly Curren.



**THE KIDS KORNER CLASS of Beverly Goodwin, James Clark School, Room 6.** Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

The story is about Raggedy Ann and Andy saving Christmas. My favorite part is when the characters see Santa Claus.

**Kayla D'Angelo**

A great December book is... *"The Honeybears' Christmas Surprise"* written by R.C. Andrea. Holly and Ralph Bear couldn't wait for Santa! But when they woke up on Christmas morning, nothing was there! Cousin Eddie played a trick on them. Santa came but Eddie hid the presents. In the end they had a fun Christmas.

**Carrie-Mae Stone**

I enjoyed reading... *"How the Grinch Stole Christmas"* by Dr. Seuss. In the story, the Grinch stole everybody's toys. The people in Who-ville were singing even without presents. The Grinch felt ashamed of himself! He returned all the presents.

**Rachel Cunha**

Every December I look forward to reading... *"The Mitten"* by Jan Brett. This book has great pictures. It is a folktale from Ukraine. The story tells about a boy who loses a mitten. All the animals jump into it! In the end, the mitten explodes!

**Glenn Hill**

My favorite Christmas book is... *"Frosty the Snowman"* written by Annie North Bedford. The children in the story had fun playing with Frosty. They also went to all the shops. When they were shopping, a

gust of wind took Frosty's hat. Frosty disappeared! But he returns each winter!

**Daniel Nascimbene**

I liked reading... *"The Biggest Most Beautiful Christmas Tree"* written by Amye Rosenberg. In the story, the chipmunks were sad because Santa never came to their house on Christmas. Aunt Mim arrives to decorate their tree. It was so beautiful that Santa came and left lots of toys.

**Timothy Dunn**

My favorite Christmas book is... *"The Curious Little Kitten"* by Linda Hayward. Curious little kitten was curious about the stockings, the Christmas tree, and the gingerbread house. Christmas was a very exciting time!

**Rachel Morris**

This December I read... *"Santa Mouse"* by Michael Brown. Once there was a little mouse who didn't have a name. He lived in an old house. Santa came to the mouse, picked him up, and gave him Santa clothes!

**Jeremiah Maloni**

I enjoyed the story... *"Santa's Surprise Book"* by Joan Potter Elwart. I liked the part when Santa is making candy! Santa was thinking of leaving something new instead of candy. He made all new toys!

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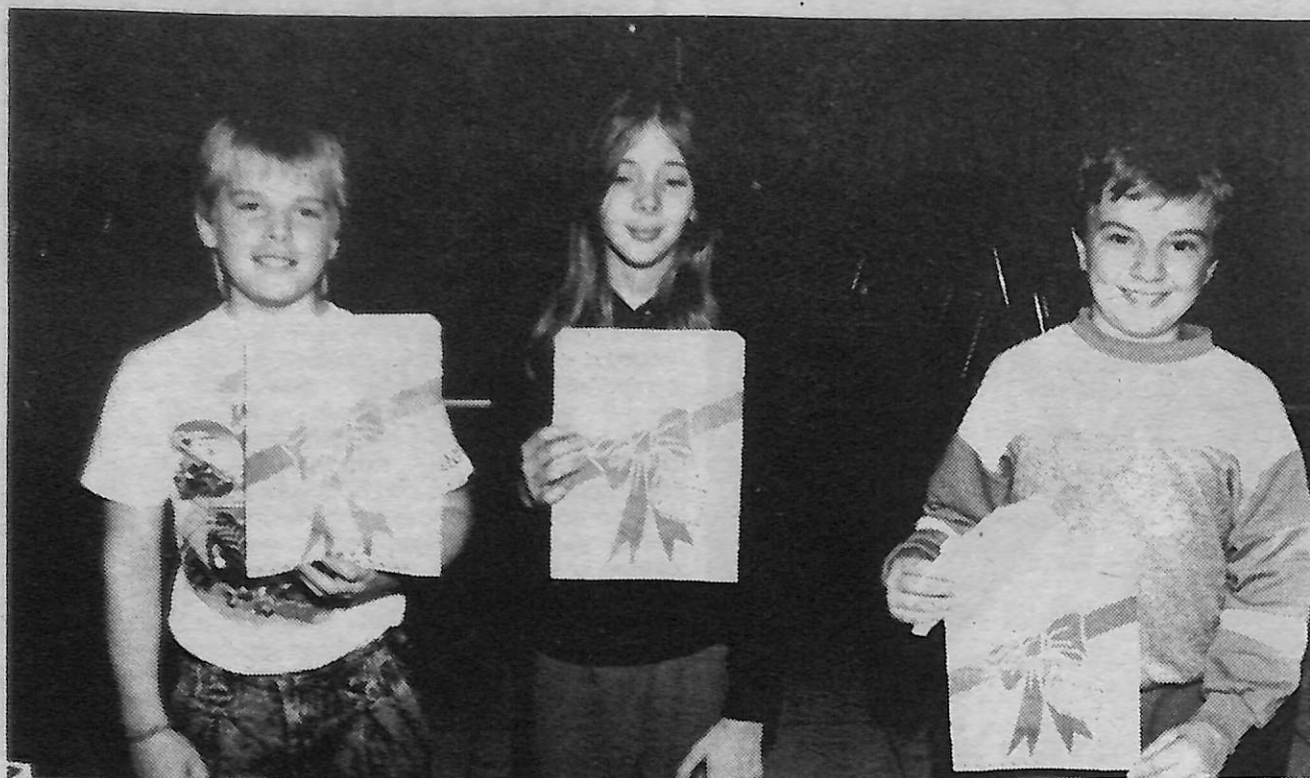
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## Middle School's Annual Christmas Store



THE AGAWAM MIDDLE School held its Annual Christmas Store last week so the students could purchase inexpensive gifts. The event was sponsored by the PTO. In top photo are Darin Clark, Heidi Hutchinson, and Philip Silva; in photo right are Joseph Ieraci, Matt Norris, and Joseph Leopardi. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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## Drug Expert Meets With Middle School

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

Bill Regan of Concord East Associates in Cambridge met with Agawam Middle School administrators and P.T.O. board members on Friday, December 7th, to outline upcoming parent training workshops sponsored by the Governor's Alliance on Drugs and Alcohol.

Principal Ralph Zavarella, a member of the Governor's Alliance, said, "If we can provide programs for the parents as well as the education we provide during the day to our students, I'm for it."

"Raising Kids in the Nineties" workshops will be scheduled to meet every other week during March and April, 1991. During the four discussions, communication between parents and children will be highlighted. Peer pressure, both on the part of students and parents, is another topic planned.

Regan was a guest speaker at the Agawam Junior High School two years ago when the Student Assistance Program (A.S.A.P.) began. He praised the commitment of caring school staff members involved in ASAP to help with intervention of drug and alcohol abuse by students at the Junior High and Agawam High School.

The Non-Users Club at the Junior High is another organized group Regan pointed as a credit to the community. He said that in his area, STAND was similar to this club and it was created for positive peer pressure and early prevention. He was also encouraged by Agawam's D.A.R.E. and "Here's Looking At You 2000" prevention programs.

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In October Regan spoke with seniors at Agawam High as part of the monthly health series. His topic was alcohol and alcoholism, which was sponsored through the \$17,500 grant from the Governor's Alliance (this year).

Regan also talks about the alcoholic's detachment from the family, creating dysfunctional families. He explained that the alcoholic has physical and mental handicaps as a result of his addiction to alcohol. Regan has been a successfully recovered alcoholic for many years.

The Middle School parent training workshops will aim more at reducing stress in the family by discussing success factors in maintaining a positive home environment.

All Middle School parents are encouraged to participate in the series of four workshops and will be notified of dates, times, and places through school flyers.

## Pharmacy FACTS

by George R. Atkins, R.Ph.



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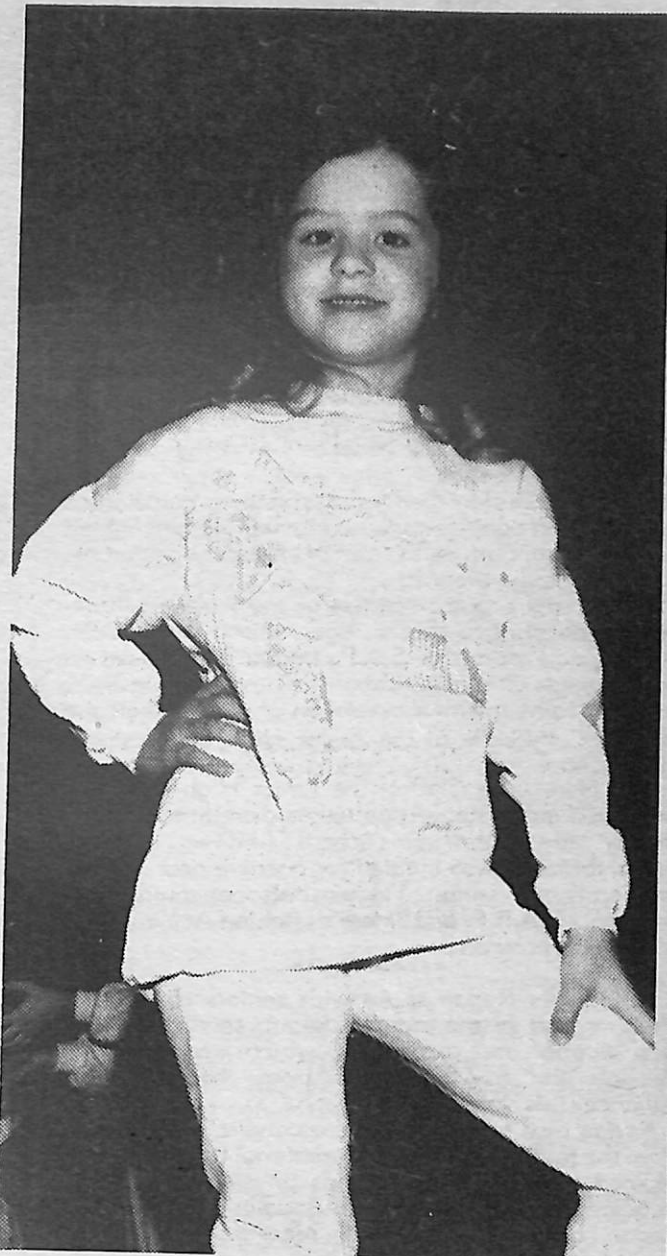
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## Ag. Middle School Guidance Report

by Thomas F. Dacey,  
Middle School Guidance Counselor

The counselors wish to alert parents that warning slips for poor academic progress during the second marking period will be issued on or about December 14th. Parents of students who receive a warning slip are asked to please sign the slip and return it to the school by way of their child as soon as possible.

The counselors urge the parents of students who are issued a warning to work with their children and school personnel to try to resolve any difficulties. Parents are always welcome to consult with the guidance counselors. Mr. Dacey, the sixth grade counselor, can be reached at 789-1400, extension 453. Mr. Cohen, the fifth grade counselor, can be reached at 789-1400, extension 454, on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The sixth grade homerooms are presently completing a study skills program regarding the completion of homework. They have been watching a video and participating in a review following the video. In addition, the counselors have been regularly consulting with many students who appear to be at risk academically in an attempt to provide suggestions for future success. The counselors will be providing this service to both grades as an on-going program.

## AHS Band Parents Plan Bottle & Can Drive In Jan.

The Agawam Band Parents Association is having a Bottle and Can Drive, Saturday, January 5th, at Dave's Soda & Pet Food City, 11 Ramah Circle, Agawam, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

The Association is asking that redeemable bottles and cans be saved during the holiday season that is beginning for this fundraiser. Those not wishing to store their bottles and cans through this time period can call Karla Tyrell, 786-0155, or Mary White, 786-4701, after 5:00 p.m., and a pick-up will be arranged.

Due to the economic crunch, this fundraiser is most important to insure that the Agawam High School Jazz, Concert, & Marching Bands have funds to cover the expenses for the remainder of the school year.

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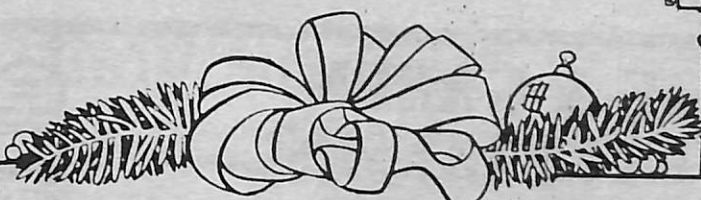
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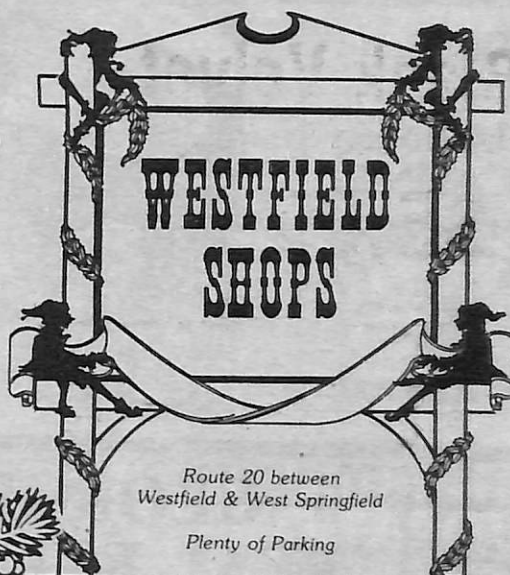
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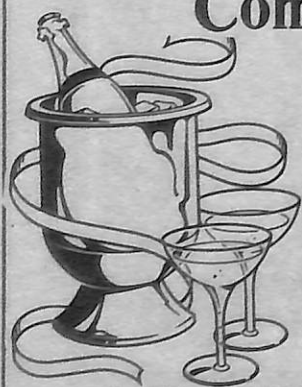
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# Sports

## Brownie Swimmers Open Season With Thriller

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High swim team got the 1990-91 winter sports season off to a slam-bang start as they splashed their way to a very exciting 93-92 victory over Central High at the Agawam Junior High Tuesday night.

Dave Smith's team got some outstanding all-around performances and came from behind to win the meet in the final event. Coach Smith told the AAN, "We needed a first and a third place in the final event, the 400 freestyle, and we did it. The kids are very excited. It's nice to win and even nicer when the meet is so close."

Jeff Lewis keyed the win for Agawam as he was a double winner in the 200 freestyle (2:13.13) and 500 freestyle (6:12.12). Jeff also participated in the much-awaited new school record as he swam in the 200 free relay. Add to that, Lewis was part of the winning 400 freestyle relay team, and he had himself quite a day.

Sean McFarland was a pleasant surprise for Smith as

well. The transfer from Minnesota was also part of the 400 free relay, and he placed second in the 200 individual medley (2:30.42) and second in the 100 freestyle.

Aaron Orsucci continued his fine performances from last season as he won a very exciting 100 butterfly in 1:06.87. Orsucci also swam on the winning 4 x 50 medley which Agawam won in 2:00.44. McFarland, Scott Russell, and Steve Lewis were also on that medley winner.

Russell picked up the gold in the 100 breast, reaching the wall in 1:14.64.

The aforementioned school record in the 200 free relay turned out to be a second-place performance that brought the kids home in 1:52. It is a new event this season and, therefore, the first time that it has been attempted by an Agawam contingent. The quartet that swam the event were Russell, Jeff and Steve Lewis, and John Kielbasa.

Tony Leger won the diving competition for Agawam with a score of 134.5.

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In the girls' meet, Agawam fell 103-83 to Central, but they were not without some fine performances.

Ericka Vanderhoof was a double winner as she cruised to wins in the 200 freestyle (2:18.51) and 100 freestyle (1:02.28).

Freshman Brenda Borkosky roared out of her first varsity meet with two wins. She was first in the 200 individual medley (2:53.98) and 100 breast (1:25.46).

Vanderhoof and Borkosky also won another event as they were part of the 200 free relay along with teammates Sandy Angotti and Linda Bouchad. The collective time was 2:08.62.

Rachel White dominated the day's diving with an awesome 182.85 score, and freshman Michelle Pod-siaolo did very well posting a 133.60 in diving.

### Bob Johnson On Sports...

## Curses! Condemned AHS Bleachers Break My Routine

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

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Creatures of habit. As hard as we may try to avoid it, our lives begin to take on some sort of pattern after a while.

The same seat at dinner every night; a Jackson Browne tape on the car stereo while driving on the Pike; a pizza every Friday; bowling every Monday night; wash your car on sunny Sundays.

The pattern is preset in our minds. Oftentimes, we are not cognizant that it exists. Unless, unless, unless that pattern is broken by someone or something.

I remember calling to order a pizza a couple of summers ago and found out on the recording that pizza place was on vacation. "That's Amore" was being sung on the recording. I wasn't right for a few days afterwards. Pizza parlors don't go on vacation, do they. Uh, yes they do.

So what's on my mind this time? My pattern, my routine is going to have to change. And I don't like it. But I'm going to have to get used to it.

I wandered up to Agawam High last week to do some Winter Sports Previews. I saw the same coaches - Tomkiel, Conte, Martin, and a lot of the same kids. Everything looked familiar - nothing out of order.

Until, until, that is, I noticed the grandstand portion of the picture. Uggh. Now remember, you're reading words written by a guy that goes to the high school almost every day in the winter. And I sit in the same place almost every time. AND MY SEAT IS GONE!!!

The seats that USED TO BE just to the right of the timer no longer exist at the Agawam gymnasium. A whole section of bleachers are gone. In other words, the basketball team can sit on the first section of the bleachers near the coach (but they won't all fit).

They will have to bring in some folding chairs to accommodate a couple of the players, or else they'll have to sit in the second row. It's going to look weird, and it's going to take some getting used to for me.

The word received is that section of bleachers was condemned for safety reasons. The budget crunch is not going to allow Agawam High to replace those bleachers this season.

And it is important. Go to any boys' basketball game or wrestling match and generally there isn't an empty seat in the house.

Go to any night game for the girls' basketball team and there are no extra seats either. Now, there are going to be 40 or 50 less seats in the gymnasium.

I don't know if, or how, this situation is going to be resolved. I would advise that you arrive early for games at Agawam High this season if you want to be assured of a seat.

I'm definitely going to go early. I have to find a new seat - and I'm not very happy about it either.

And yes, I'm still going to have pizza every Friday night, provided they're not on vacation!

## Michele Finnie On WSC Field Hockey

Michele Finnie, daughter of Michael & Patricia Finnie of 180 North Westfield Street, Agawam, was a member of the Westfield State College field hockey team that finished the 1990 season with a 4-8-1 record under first-year coach Jim Ayotte. Westfield played competitively, losing seven games by a total of eight goals. The Lady Owls placed third in the Mass. State Conference with a 2-2-1 record.

Michele is a sophomore undeclared major at Westfield State. She is a graduate of Agawam High School.

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## Sports A La Carte...

## Gaff By Instant Replay; Pats Playing Like Patsies

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

It seems like Instant Replay might have decided a game this past Monday night. And decided it incorrectly.

It was late and you might have been sleeping, but it sure woke up the ABC announcers. The game was between the Raiders and the Lions, and the LA team led it by four with about four minutes to play. Instant Replay got involved initially to "spot" a ball following a Lion fumble that resulted in the ball going over on downs to the Raiders.

It took the Replay Booth nine minutes to decide where to spot the ball! They finally did and the game went along. On the next play, BO JACKSON swept the right side and fumbled the football near the sideline. An alert, acrobatic, hustling Lion linebacker dove to the sideline and shovelled the ball to a teammate.

The teammate (a safety) picked it up and began to run with the ball. The referee blew the whistle. They ruled that the linebacker had not saved the ball prior to it going out of bounds. The replay said otherwise.

Three different angles proved that the linebacker had made perhaps the play of his life. Nope. The Replay Booth came down and said that the play "will stand as called." The Raiders kept possession, made the Lions burn their last two time outs, and then they kicked a field goal and won the game by seven points.

P.S.: The Replay Booth informed ABC that if they had taken more time on the call, they would have reversed the call.

Isn't that ridiculous? AL MICHAELS of ABC was very astute when he said that the booth was "gunshy" following the long delay on the previous play. I bet the Lions will take a lot of solace in that fact...

Remember the nice run that the Temple Owls made in the NCAA basketball season a few years ago? They were number one for a while. JOHN CHANEY got a lot of ink and publicity for making his team practice at 5:00 a.m. and his discipline, etc.

It just came to my attention that Chaney has sent four first-round draft picks to the NBA in recent years: TERENCE STANSBURY, NATE BLACKWELL, TIM PERRY, and DUANE CAUSWELL. Not bad, and if MARK MACON can have the senior year of which he is capable, there will be a handful of first-round Owls following this year...

Take yourself forward to 1995 if you can. It is there that you will learn about the Big Twelve Conference. In reality, it's the Big Ten minus Northwestern plus Penn State, Notre Dame, and Nebraska. Interesting, eh?...

How good are the Pistons? Two-time defending champs means that they are real, real good—right? Well, did you know that the last time Detroit had a top-ten scorer was in 1982-83? It was KELLY TRIPUCKA who did that for them.

Goes to show you that you do not need a top-ten scorer if you have a little balance in your attack. Of course, that awesome defense doesn't hurt either...

At first glance, doesn't Cincinnati Bengal offensive coordinator BRUCE COSLET look like PETE ROSE?...

Chief QB STEVE DEBERG said this, "We are playing well offensively. But we would also like to play the New England Patriots every week." And he probably doesn't even care if the Patriots hang that on their locker-room wall. The Chiefs would win 10 out of 10 times in head-to-head battles with the Patsies...

Prediction: If, by chance, the Redskins play the Giants in the playoffs, the Washington club will win

the game...LORENZO WHITE, BARRY SANDERS, BO JACKSON—these are the guys whom I could watch every Sunday. OTTIS ANDERSON might be getting the job done for the Giants, and JOHN STEPHENS might not be getting it done for New England, but both of those guys bore me to tears...

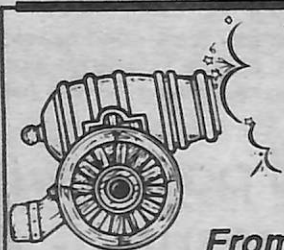
RALF MOJSIEJENKO is Washington's punter. Ralf must be outstanding. Prior to the game with Chicago last Sunday, he punted three inside the 10, 16 inside the 20, and was the only NFL punter who hadn't punted one into the end zone. That is truly amazing in an era when it seems that two out of every three punts that you see bounce into the end zone for a touchback...

In hockey this season, Montreal scored on only 13 of 115 power plays—11.3 percent. Still, they are hovering near the top of the Adams Division standings...Looks like Ultra SlimFast might be able to hire BUDDY RYAN again next year. He lost 34 pounds last time, and it looks like he's got it all back where it belongs. Of course, he's glad that he can wear those big jackets in Philly so that nobody can tell...

Seems like years have passed, but this was the year of the Lockout in baseball. I'm glad that I forget as fast as I do or else I would walk around mad all the time...DAVID ROBINSON is going to be the best player in the NBA next year and for many years afterward. The Spurs will get a title if he stays motivated. He is a defensive phenom with a great touch, and his supporting cast is not too shabby either...

DOUG DICKEY, former Florida football coach, contends that it is better to lose three games in one season than it is to lose only one: "The fans talk about the games that you won following a 7-3 season. When you go 9-1, they talk about the one you lost."...

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Bob Johnson On Sports...

## The Brilliance Of Celtics' Johnny Most

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

There are a lot of truths that many of us believe that are no more true than a particular bunny, or fairy, or fat man with a sack of stuff for our teeny little super guys and gals.

For instance, most of us believe that the professional salaries will settle down after a time and seem more reasonable to us. Haven't seen any evidence of that lately.

Some things are told to us so many times that it seems we have no choice in the matter. Everybody else believes, so we believe. It is only sports, it can't hurt us. Sports is one place on this planet where we can express our opinion as loudly as we want and not fear any recourse.

Here's a popular myth to which many have subscribed. Johnny Most, former Celtic broadcaster, was nothing more than a screaming idiot who loved the Celtics. It goes further; watch the game on television and listen to Johnny at the same time, and you will find that he is watching a different game than you are.

Here I come to try and destroy another myth. Johnny Most is a legend and will be remembered fondly by nearly everyone. That includes the players on the other teams (including McFilthy and McNasty).

Truth be told, Johnny was a brilliant broadcaster. The voice was a bonus because it added to his style points. I spent some time in the early Eighties as the producer at WRKO Radio in Boston. I worked exclusively Celtic basketball, which meant exclusively Johnny Most.

The first assignment at the Garden found me in a chair next to Johnny during the game. I went in there with my preconceived notions, too. I expected to roll my eyes at his antics and fully enjoy his Piston bashing or Sixer bashing (or whomever the Celts were going to be bullied by that evening).

Funny, I didn't hear any of that. My thoughts that night were on my own play-by-play effort. Johnny was getting on in years and it was not so suddenly occurring to me (the young broadcaster) that somebody

would take Johnny's job in a few years.

So as Johnny went on and on calling the action, I was doing the mental play-by-play in my head. Johnny was incredible. As the season went along, I realized that he knew everyone on every team. From the star to the twelfth man on the bench, he knew them.

He told you in a split second who got the rebound, who tipped a shot, who knocked a ball out of bounds, and who fiddled and diddled at the point. All the while, he watched the physical action underneath the bucket and there is plenty of that to watch.

I remember a lot of things about Johnny Most. I remember one night when Rick Robey and Darryl Dawkins were fighting for position in the post. The Celts had the ball and Robey was probably their fifth option on the play. He was just jockeying with the man from the planet Lovetron to go and rebound the shot.

As they worked on one another, neither lad was grabbing the upper hand. For those of you who do not know, both gentlemen were approximately 6'10" tall and weighed about 270 pounds. When there were set to rebound, they were leaning on one another's shoulder and utilizing the floor to complete the picture; they had formed an equilateral triangle. Most simply said, "Dawkins and Robey are in a muscle tussle underneath." Beautiful. You don't get much time to summarize the action while trying to call a basketball game. Believe me, take it from someone who has broadcast basketball on many occasions.

We used to call radio "Theatre of the Mind." It was as if your microphone was an endless canvas and you could paint all the pictures that you wanted. Through the "Magic of Radio," those images could be seen by anyone who wanted to close their eyes and enjoy them.

Most was the absolute best radio man of all time. Sure, he rooted for the Celtics. Radio announcers are, in essence, hired by the basketball team and, most certainly, they want somebody who will paint a positive image of their team and perhaps sell more tickets. Johnny helped out in both areas.

The basketball is round, the cylinder is 10 feet high, the foul line is a 15-foot shot. All courts are the same size. The players range in size from 5'4" to 7'7" and they come in different colors and body shapes. Most took those variables, those constants and inserted a couple of sprinkles of magic and made his product excellent.

His humor didn't come by accident. And, he didn't stay up late writing scripts. He simply enjoyed his job, his team and his friends.

Johnny loved everyone who ever donned a Celtic uniform. He respected all the other players in the league. Believe it or not, he loves Bill Laimbeer, Rick Mahorn, Maurice Cheeks, and all the rest. He just knows that those players had skills that caused match-up problems for the Celtics. He knew that those players having solid nights could deter the Celtics from that much-wanted "W."

Time has now taken Johnny away from us. He is no longer medically able to make the trip from the Orlandos to the Sacramentos to the Ohios. He will be missed. Glenn Ordway, his replacement, is a solid, battle-hardened veteran who has worked the beat with Johnny for nearly 10 years. Ordway will give you a good call, but he will never replace Mr. Most.

I would give my eye teeth to have any of you non-believers sit with Johnny for 15 minutes and try and talk NBA with him. I have done it on a hundred different occasions and he is a walking encyclopedia.

He loved it; he learned it. He was jaundiced in his opinion, but did that hurt anybody? Nope. I just didn't want anybody to think that he was some old fool making up things in his mind as the action passed him by. Nothing got by Johnny—he caught the Spurs every time they "mauled Bird," or "ripped Maxwell's face apart," or "assaulted Cousy," or "cheapshotted Russell."

He saw it all—and he told it all. And maybe we were right; maybe he wasn't watching the same game that we were. Maybe he was five or six levels beyond us.

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Bob Johnson On Sports...

## Larry Bird's Legend Goes On!!!

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Over the years, we have seen him do it all. Larry Bird has made baskets from just about every spot on the basketball court.

He makes the step back jumper, the dipsy doo layup, the lefty runner in the point, the three-point coffin closer. He has recently eclipsed the 20,000 point barrier.

He has scored 50 points in a game many times—even popped home 60 one night in New Orleans against the Hawks. He has scored in bunches and, more importantly, has scored in the crunch.

It has long been documented that Bird spends his entire summer working on his shot and his game. He has defied the odds by continually getting better and better as his storied and fabled career goes along.

When asked last week about getting the 20,000th point, he replied in a very Larry-like way, "They don't pay me by the point; if they did I would have 50,000 points." And every Celtic fan had to love it.

Perhaps buried in that quote is the part that we like best about Bird. A cocky country bumpkin. Simple, yet calculating. The big man from the little town making a big city a lot happier.

He has caused the Garden (and every other arena in the NBA) to erupt with both delight and disdain over his extraordinary skills and improvisational acts. He has been one of the single most reasons why the NBA has reached such lofty marketing heights in the past decade.

Still, Larry Bird is certainly not complete by merely scoring points. Not at all. He's no defensive whiz or speed merchant. Nobody in their right mind would qualify him as a leaper.

Outside of his shooting and scoring, Bird's assets lie in his excellent hands and his ability to put the ball into the hands of a teammate in scoring position.

Long recognized as the best passing forward of all time, Bird continues to astound NBA observers with his court awareness and pinpoint accuracy. Teammates never seem to mishandle his passes because they are delivered at the correct spot on the floor at the correct height and correct speed. He has elevated his assist game to an art.

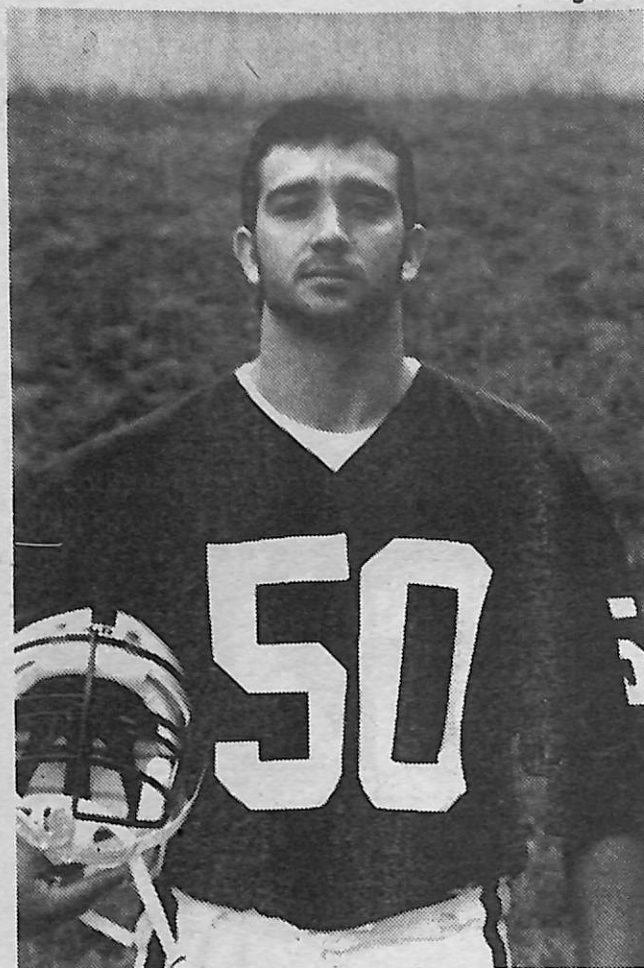
The other night against Denver at the Garden, Larry Bird scored 43 points and the Celtics won by 10 points. Bird, per usual, hit every shot on the floor and made up a couple more. He even banged home a dunk.

Viewing the game on television, I watched Bird and his reactions closely. I suppose that I was not alone amongst Celtic faithful. I watched as he hit jumper after jumper. He turned and jogged back on defense. Everything about his demeanor following the made basket suggested that he fully expected to make the shot. No big show of emotion was evident.

But, Larry Bird also had 11 assists that night. This was no surprise either. When Bird surpassed the 20,000 point total the previous week, he became only the fourth NBA player to have 20,000 points and 5,000 assists. Five thousand assists equals 10,000 points. Mathematically, that means that for every two Bird buckets over the years, a teammate got a bucket on a Bird pass. You make a lot of friends that way over the years.

As in anything in life, you don't get better at something unless you like it and work hard at it. Larry loves to pass and it is the one time on a basketball court when you can read visible satisfaction on his face.

When Larry is passing, the Celtics are scoring. When Larry is passing, Larry is in charge of the offensive decision-making. And there is nobody who is smarter when they are holding a basketball in their hands.



PETE VECCHIARELLI

### Pete Vecchiarelli On WSC Football Team

Peter Vecchiarelli, son of Phil & Marie Vecchiarelli of 26 Kellogg Avenue, Feeding Hills, was a member of the Westfield State College football team that finished the 1990 season with a 3-7 record under first-year coach Steve Marino.

He was named captain for 1990, and was starting center on the offensive line.

He is a junior mass communications major at Westfield State. He is a graduate of Agawam High School.

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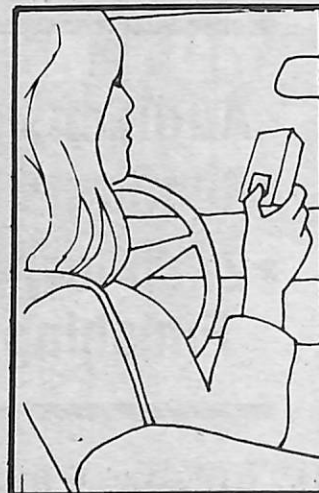


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## Soccer Association Presents Awards

On Sunday, December 2nd, at the Agawam Junior High School, the Agawam Soccer Association held its Annual Awards Day presentation. President Bob Rousseau presided over the gathering of coaches, players, and their families. This event was designed to honor the top finishing teams in each division with trophies for their endeavors.

Rousseau thanked the 1990 Executive Board for their countless volunteer efforts throughout the year. The 1990 staff included Vice-President Ron Jean, Treasurer Tom Phaneuf, Secretary Valerie Douglas, Director of Referees Jim Knight, P.V.J.S.L. Boys' Director Ken Cizek, P.V.J.S.L. Girls' Director Mike Dobise, Director of Boys' In-Town Ray Scott, Director of Girls' In-Town Rich Hamre, and Director of Introductory Diane Penna.

In order to lessen the work load and streamline its services, the Executive Board for 1991 added three new member positions. Elections were held in October and serving as President is Bob Rousseau, Executive Vice President Ron Jean, Vice President of In-Town Rich Hamre, Vice President of P.V.J.S.L. Ken Cizek, Treasurer Tom Phaneuf, Sec. Cheryl Collins, Director of Boys' & Introductory Jim Stevenson, Director of Girls' Don Serra, Dir. of Referees Joe Memarco, Dir. of P.V.J.S.L. Boys' Ray Scott, Director of P.V.J.S.L. Girls' Mike Dobise, and Director of Labor Day Tournament Al O'Quinn.

Receiving trophies on Sunday for their first place in-town finishes were:

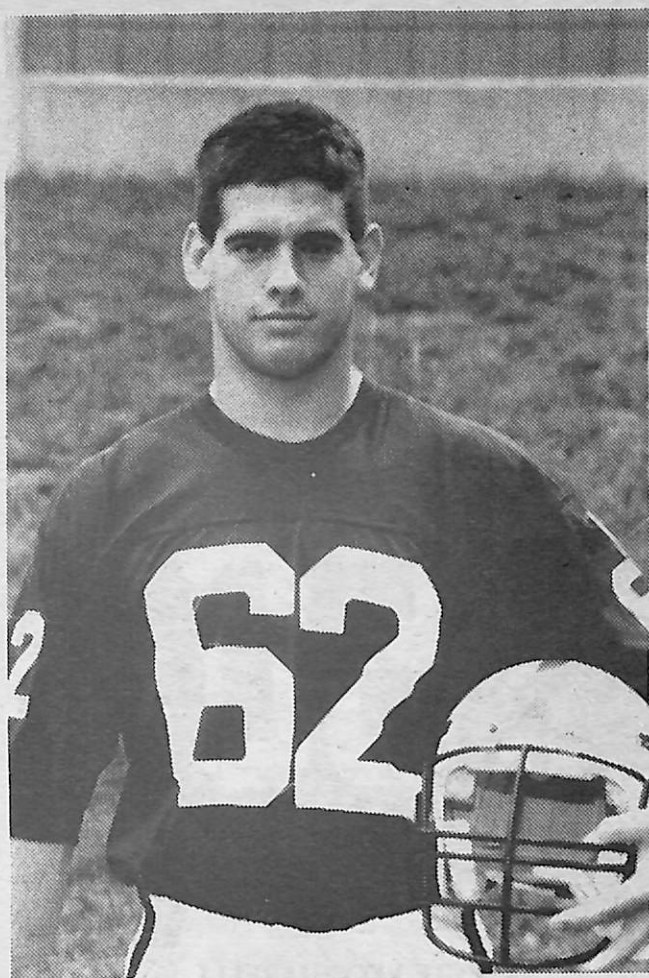
Girls' Under 10—Jim Stevenson's Bombers  
Girls' Under 12—Don Serra's Stingers  
Co-Ed Under 14—Gus Mouneimneh's Kickers  
Co-Ed Under 17—Tom Phaneuf's Cosmos  
Boys' Under 10—Rob LeClair's Fire

Boys' Under 12—Randy McLean's Gladiators  
Also receiving trophies were two girls' teams from the Pioneer Valley Junior Soccer League. These teams travel to compete with surrounding towns while representing Agawam.

Girls' Under 10—Agawam Rowdies  
Coached by Denny Marr, Division Champs  
Girls' Under 14A—Agawam Aces

Coached by John Hyland, Division Co-Champs  
In addition, nine out of 12 of Agawam's P.V.J.S.L. teams finished in the top four of their respective divisions. This led them to play-off berths with their out-of-town adversaries. Try-outs for these selective teams from Agawam are in the spring—boys' and girls' Under 10 through Under 19. Sign-ups will be in January 1991.

Agawam Soccer Association's Executive Board meets year-round. Members may be contacted for information or suggestions by writing to the Agawam Soccer Association, P.O. Box 442, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.



ERIC BURNETT

### Eric Burnett Member Of WSC Football

Eric Burnett, son of Dennis & Clarisse Burnett of Agawam, was a member of the Westfield State College football team that finished the 1990 season with a 3-7 record under first-year coach Steve Marino.

He had 50 tackles at linebacker.

He is a sophomore criminal justice major at Westfield State. He is a graduate of Agawam High School.

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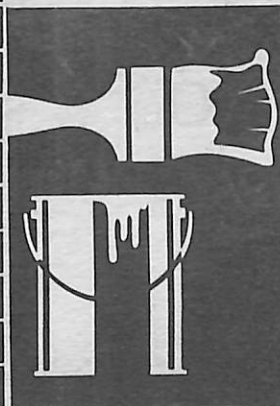
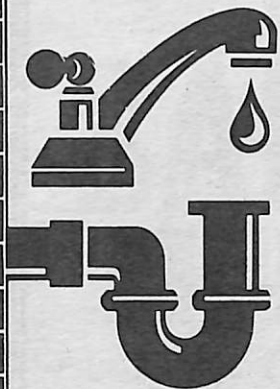
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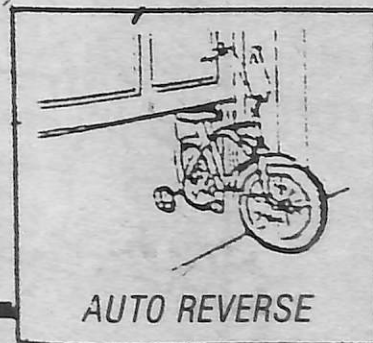


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## Boston College Still Leads Tri-Parish Bowl

Boston College continues to roll along after four weeks of rolling in Round Two of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League. BC is followed by four teams, including long-time rival Georgetown (2nd place-11 wins), St. Michael (3rd place-9 wins), Loyola (4th place-9 wins), and Catholic University (5th place-9 wins).

BC knocked off defending 2-time champ Fordham (6th place, 8½ wins), 2½ wins to 1½ wins. The big winner for BC was third roller KATHY BURLINGHAM. She fired a monster 339 at dazed and fazed JOHN MLINEK (281) for a 58-pin victory. BC captain JOHN "The Hammer" O'CONNELL had a lousy night with a 311 (his average is 116.29) but Fordham captain OLLIE MULDER could muster no better than a 286.

Fordham had two winners - lead-off STELLA BARBIERI (261) and second roller BARBARA HOWARD (286). Kathy Burlingham, by the way, now sports an all-time high average of 101.33.

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Second place Georgetown split with 7th place St. Mary (8 wins), two wins each. Winners for G-Town included VENETTA SNYDER (298-gave G-Town an early big edge) and FRANK CERPOVICZ (310). Winners for St. Mary were CAROLINE COELLN (big night with a 323; broke her previous Class AA high in 313) and captain JOHN PROVOST (320). Provost, the second leading roller in the league, barely defeated the top women's roller, G-Town captain DEBBIE POIRIER (318-106.28). This was quite a battle.

And on a sad note, the league is saying goodbye to none other than St. Mary's roller JIM "Mac"

MCNAMEE. He's taking a new job in Enfield and won't be able to fit in the bowling. Rumor has it that after a two-year absence, the famous AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO may return to these lanes. Al's presence every Monday night certainly will juice-up the competition immensely.

Third place St. Michael's took Loyola over the hurdles, three wins to one in a key match-up. Loyola had been moving along quite nicely in this round until meeting up with St. Mike's.

St. Mike's winners were AUDREY PHILLIPS (284), TONY "I'm Not A Captain" KOZAK (285-276 over CHRIS BUKOWSKI), and new St. Mike's captain, veteran roller RENEE JURY (332-very fine night for her; she's in first place in Women's Class AAA at 96.25). The only winner for Loyola was STEP STEPANIAN (302). Loyola captain STEVE ROVITHIS was seething after his loss to Renee (Rovithis was at 307).

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Fifth place Catholic University made a complete mess out of St. Louis, and sent them right into last place (5 wins). CU had two winners, CHRIS STEPANIAN (261-St. Lou was unable to get a substitute to face Chris), and captain RICH SNYDER (333-322 over rather distraught St. Lou captain LOU MULDER). Mulder is in second place in the Men's Class AAA scoring race at 106.25, while Snyder is moving up the ranks and is in fifth place (103.14) in the same class.

The two St. Lou winners were JEAN BUONICONTI (271) and PAUL LAGODITZ (285-278 over JIM SNYDER).

Tenth place Holy Cross (6 wins) moved out of last place by taking three wins from St. Anselm (8th place-7

wins). HC winners included LISA ALLEN (285-she leads the Women's Class A in scoring at 91.7), college-boy JOHN LONCRINI (293), and captain LARRY VIENS (345), the top roller in Men's Class AA at 106.3. Larry got special pleasure out of hammering St. A's captain BRIAN OSBORNE, who could muster no better than a 286. Osborne watched his Men's Class AAA average fall a bit to 103.29. The question now going around the league - "HOW COME LARRY VIENS IS NOT ROLLING IN A HIGHER DIVISION?" There might be an investigation called by the league prexy before the year is over.

The lonesome winner for St. A's was VI MASSOIA at 286 (just defeated TERRY CERPOVICZ-282).

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In the final battle of the night, Round One champs Villanova (9th place-6 wins) continue to flounder around. They split with 11th place Notre Dame (5 wins), a team no one can figure out this year.

Villanova winners were KIM ALLEN (261), SANDY PRZESZLO (really laid the timber on TOM "Timber" BURR, 318-270), and captain "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM (326). "Jungle Jim" was primed and ready for his grudge match vs. ND captain FRANK "The Tank" MOCCIO (313). "The Tank" is rolling at 108.25 in the Men's Open Division, while "Jungle Jim" leads the way in the Men's Class AAA at 106.41.

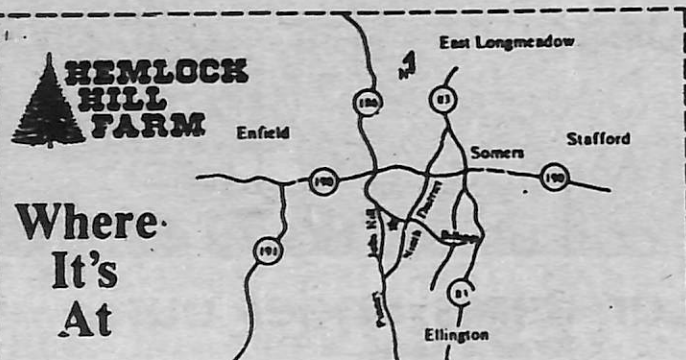
Saving the day for Notre Dame was famous third roller ANN O'CONNELL. She blasted her poor cousin, JOE RESCIGNO, 324-254. The pins felt fairly safe on this night when Joe stepped up to the line. But Ann had them flying all over the alley. Ann is third in the Women's Open Class at 100.38.

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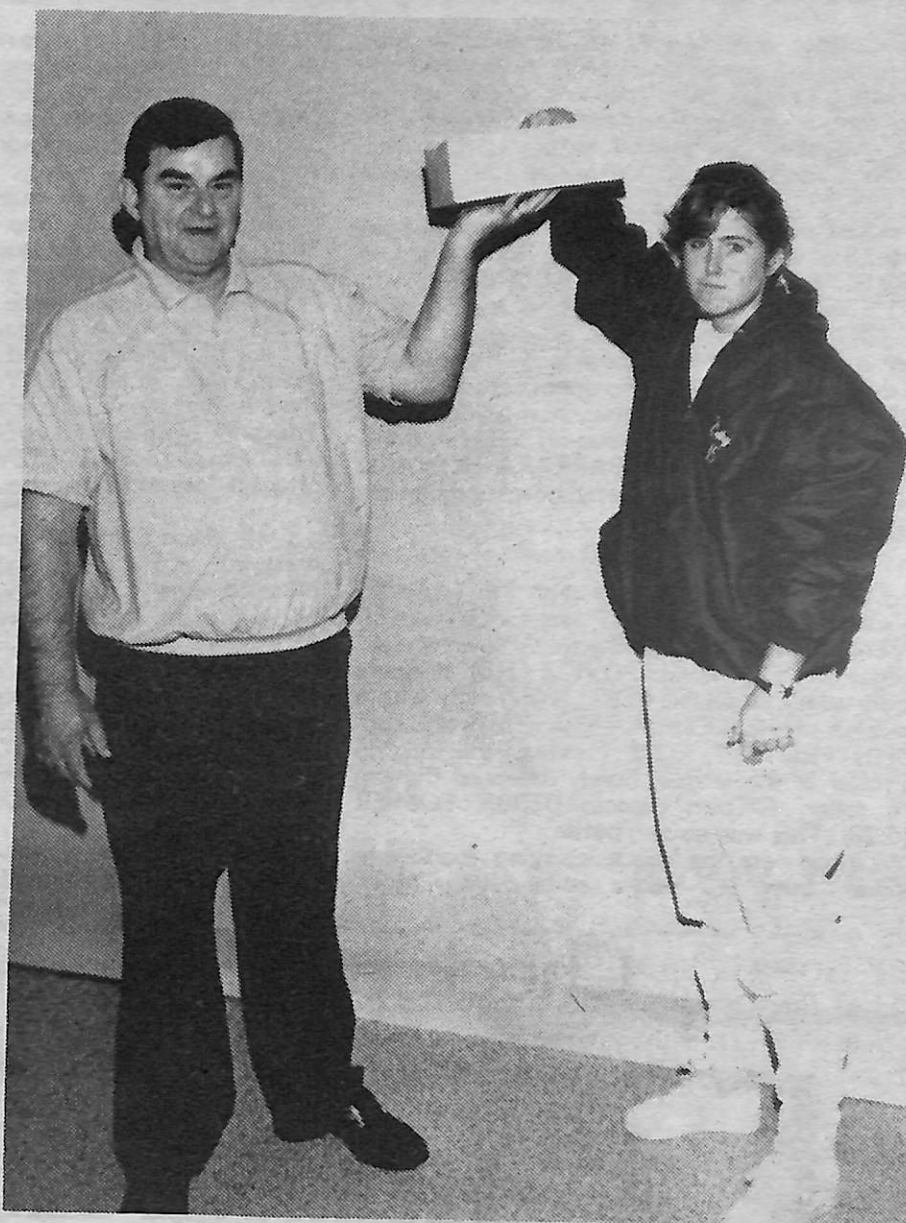


## AHS Field Hockey Seniors



LAST WEEK WE RAN A SOLO PICTURE of the Agawam High field hockey banquet held last month. We forgot to run this picture of two of the graduating seniors from the squad, Teresa Desmarais and Poppie Barrepski. Missing from photo is Trisha Phelps. Congratulations to the girls for a fine career with the orange and brown. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## AAA Raffle Drawing Held



BOB HERSEY, president of the Agawam Athletic Association, and 1990 Agawam High graduate Kathy Scaggs, a three-sports star at the school, draw the lucky winning name in the organization's Annual Winter Raffle. The drawing was held on Jamboree Sunday, December 9th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## AHS Seniors Honored At Football Banquet



**1991 SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS** of the 1990 Agawam High football team were recently honored at the Annual Awards Banquet at Shaker Farms Country Club. Pictured above are Marc Scortino, Eric Gillis, Mike Sibilia, Russ Berryman, Anthony Campiti, Sebastian Anderson, Brent Godek, Joe Valego, Dan Nay, and Jon Maki. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH VARSITY FOOTBALL COACHING** staff pictured with 1990 team captains at the Annual Awards Banquet. From left - Gerry Martin, assistant coach; Keith Hargis, captain; Eric Gillis, captain; Stuart McGregor, captain; Alan Boucher, assistant coach; Anthony Campiti, captain; Dean Vecchiarelli, head coach; and Eric Lunden, assistant coach. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**1988 AGAWAM HIGH GRAD CINDY JENKS**

### Agawam's Cindy Jenks Named Scholar-Athlete At HCC

Cynthia Jenks, a sophomore hospitality management student and scholar/athlete at Holyoke Community College, has been named "Academic All-American" by the National Junior College Athletic Association.

Ms. Jenks, of Feeding Hills, is a member of the HCC Tennis Team.

"Cynthia has been a definite asset to the team over the last two seasons," said Richard Golas, HCC athletic director, "and has had a positive influence on her teammates both on and off the tennis court."

Students named "Academic All-American" must have an accumulative grade point average of 3.6 or higher on a 4.0 scale and have lettered in one or more sports recognized by the NJCAA. Ms. Jenks has a 3.8 cumulative grade point average.

An active participant in student affairs at HCC, Ms. Jenks is a member of the Student Advisory Board for which she serves as co-chair of the budget committee. She also serves as secretary to *The Phoenix*, the college's undergraduate newspaper.

Ms. Jenks has been accepted to Penn State and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and plans to pursue her bachelor's degree in hospitality management this spring.

She is a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School where she was also a member of the Tennis team. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James S. Jenks of 53 Clover Hill Drive, Feeding Hills.

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**MEMBERS OF THE BAY WEST MITE "A" hockey team.** Back row - assistant coach Bill Foley, assistant coach Buzzy Collette, David Gusek, Jeff Mitchel, Jason Larivee, Bruce Acker, David Borgatti, Nathan Filip, and coach Dean Mercadante. Front row - David Roberts, Jerry Filip, Derek Mercadante, Kurtis Gendron, and Kenny Spafford.

## Bay West Mite "A" Team Win Two Thrillers

The Bay West Mite "A" hockey team started their season off last weekend with two come-from-behind victories.

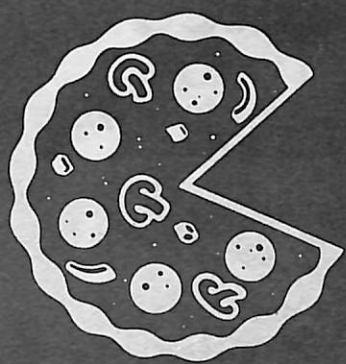
Saturday night's game with Enfield was an intensely exciting game with the Bay Westers winning the game in dramatic fashion. Down 1-0 late in the third period, Bay West scored two goals with under two minutes left in the game. With 1:20 left in the game, Bay West tied the game with a great individual effort by the always-hustling David Borgatti. Kurtis Gendron assisted on the play.

Then just 10 seconds later the pesky little Davy Roberts intercepted a pass and broke in on the Enfield goalie. The goalie made the initial save but Kurtis Gendron

alertly knocked in the rebound for the game-winning goal. Bay West goalie Derek Mercadante was outstanding making many key saves including a point-blank stop with two seconds left in the game.

In Sunday's game with Ludlow, Bay West was behind again 1-0 in the second period, when Jason Larivee banged home a loose puck in a scramble in front of the Ludlow net. David Gusek and Nathan Filip had assists. In the third period Bay West scored two goals to win the game 3-1. Kurtis Gendron scored an unassisted goal and Dave Roberts scored with assists going to Gendron and Borgatti. Bruce Acker and Jerry Filip had very strong games on defense. Jeff Mitchel and Kenny Spafford also played good over the weekend.

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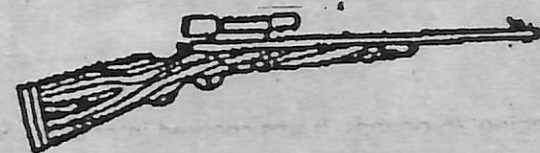
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## Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



### Helping Our Environment

Overlooked in the welter of last-minute congressional legislation in October was an important victory for fisheries' interests and wetlands conservation, says the National Wildlife Federation.

A five-cent hike in the federal motorboat fuel tax will add an estimated \$30 million to the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund, already dedicated to boating safety, fisheries restoration, and habitat enhancement.

On top of that comes an additional \$50 million (from taxes on outdoor power equipment fuel) specifically earmarked by Senator John Breaux (D-Louisiana) for wetlands restoration projects throughout the country. The money will be particularly beneficial to Louisiana, which contains 40 percent of the nation's coastal wetlands and accounts for 80 percent of coastal wetlands loss. The fund will be accessible to all coastal states with programs to acquire, restore, or enhance wetlands.

Every time President George Bush visits a country, it costs the American taxpayers more money. He promises the money with no regard for the well that is going dry. His latest proposal to Latin American countries will enable them to shed millions of dollars worth of debt to the United States if they devote a small percentage of that money to environmental projects. That new opportunity is part of President Bush's Enterprise for the Americas Initiative, approved by Congress last month and part of the agenda for the President's visit.

Developing countries will use forgiven debt to fund projects to improve natural resources management and protect the environment—projects like new parks and special ethnic reserves.

My question is—If they don't have the money to pay their debt to the USA, where are they going to get the money to carry on the proposed Initiative? The Americas owe the USA over \$7 billion at present.

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The Fall Turkey Season is considered a success by the Division of Fisheries and Game. A total of 340 birds were taken with the largest ungutted bird weighing 26 pounds. It was checked in at Bob's Sporting Goods in Buckland.

The kill by counties is: Berkshire, 109; Franklin, 126; Hampden, 60; Hampshire, 41; and other, 40.

Examining the preliminary results, project leader Jim Cardoza noted that this harvest is well within the range of what had been expected. Cardoza estimates that about 7,000 hunters took part in this first fall season and that he had anticipated a harvest between 200 and 700 birds.

Dom Tangredi took a spike horn recently during the New York gun season which ended Tuesday, December 11th.

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Albert Cavaliero, moved from defense to forward, sparked Bay West with two goals. The first was a nifty backhand shot after a hard shot by Adam DelPozzo rang off the inside of the goal post. Cavaliero lifted it top shelf after getting the loose puck. Tim Coombs had set up DelPozzo for his shot.

With the score tied at one, Cavaliero got his second goal of the game as he walked around the Ludlow defense and faked the goalie to score.

Dan Hershel made it 3-1 Bay West after he one-timed a beautiful pass from Jess Tisdell past the Ludlow goalie. Hershel closed out the Bay West scoring on an unassisted goal in the third period as he broke in on a partial breakaway. His hard shot beat the goalie to the far corner.

Bay West goalie Eric Daris had another strong

outing as did the defensive corps of Stefan Young, Richie Feeley, Ryan Roberts, and Nick Marsh. Young was given the game puck by coach Mark Navone for his outstanding defensive play.

In other games this past week, Bay West battled to a 3-3 tie with the Springfield Caps. Tim Coombs, Dan Hershel, and Jeff Tisdell notched the Bay West goals. Steve Gallant set-up Hershel while Coombs assisted Tisdell.

Bay West also defeated Nonotuck Valley last Saturday at Williston. In a rugged defensive battle which featured excellent goaltending and up and down the ice play, Bay West edged Nonotuck Valley 1-0.

The only goal of the game came at 3:56 of the second period when Adam DelPozzo knocked in a rebound. Michael Yu and Dan Hershel got assists. Eric Daris recorded his second shutout of the young season.

And in suffering only their second loss of the season, Westfield edged Bay West on Friday night at the Olympia. Tim Coombs and Jeff Tisdell scored for Bay West with assists coming from Steve Gallant and Nick Marsh.

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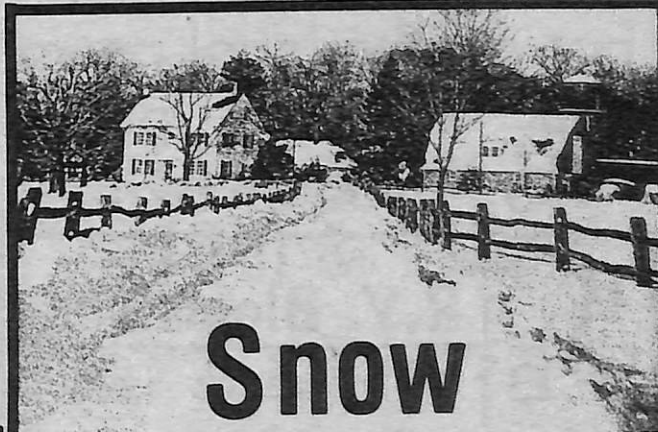
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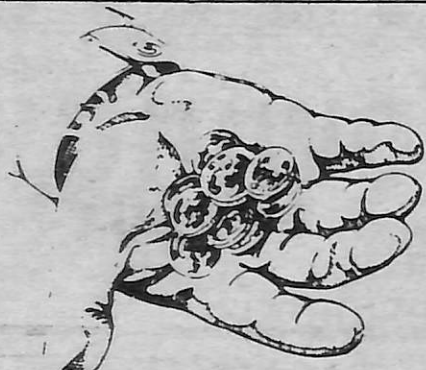
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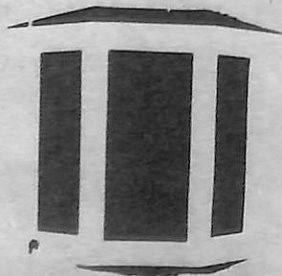
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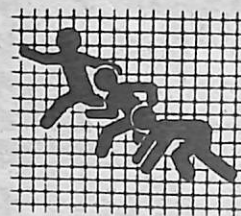
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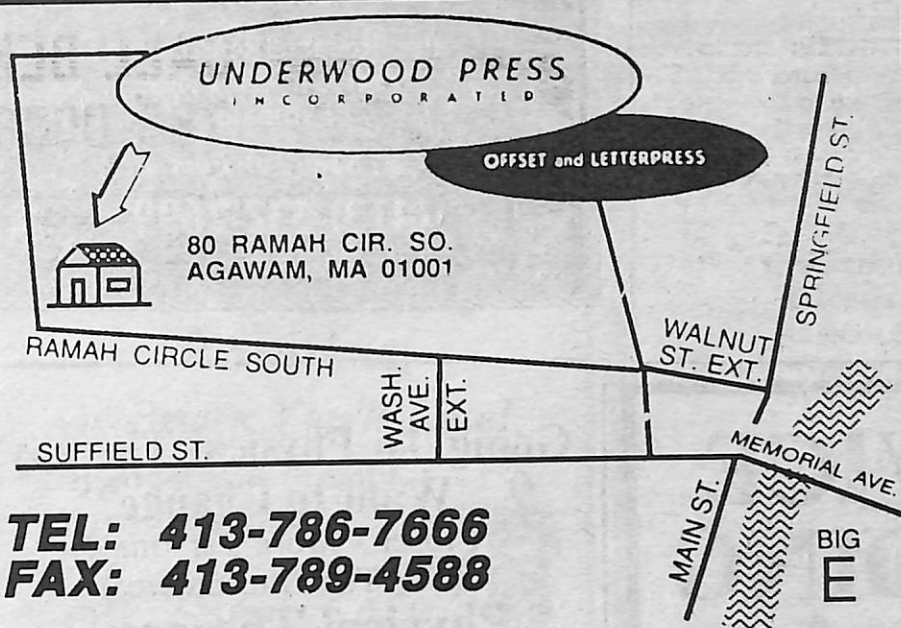
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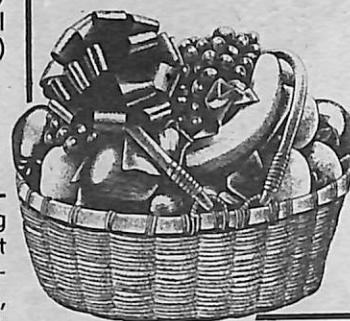
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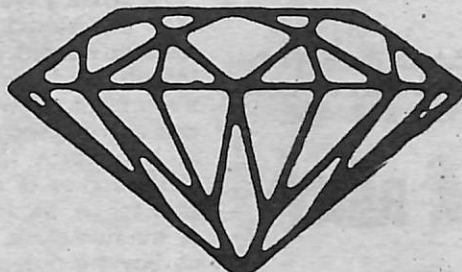
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